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Mechanical Heart Ready For Use

Cleveland, Dec. 3. A surgeon announced today that a new mechanical heart is ready for trial on man beings.

It worked it would open new field of chest and lung surgery and might even bring man beings back from the dead.

It is being kept ready in the operating room at Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia, waiting the first need of it, said Dr. Charles Bailey, renowned heart icon of Hahnemann Medical College.

The mechanical heart's first will probably be to try to save a person whose heart has stopped beating—one who is already dead.

Dr. Bailey thinks it will work also thinks it could have saved Al Jolson, famed singer who died on October 23 from a clot blocking his heart.

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refreshed blood back into

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The machine can completely

our all blood around the

body's own heart and lungs.

This means surgeons could

in a bloodless living heart

in time and clear vision for

better kinds of heart

operations.

This worked successfully on

it, keeping one dog alive for

minutes while the space

circulated its blood, Dr.

Reiley told the Ohio chapter of

American College of Chest

Physicians.

The dog's own heart took

the job again when the

chine was disconnected and

dog recovered completely,

surgeon said.

Now the machine has been

used for human use and

there is every reason to be-

lieve it will work.—Associated

RORISTS SLAY BRITON

Djakarta, Dec. 3. A British Embassy plane

was searching today for an Iranian Airways aircraft with a British pilot and reported as missing last night on a flight from Tabrizabazar, north-east Persia, to Teheran.

The pilot was Captain Roberts who is serving with the Iranian Airways.

We had a crew of four and one passenger aboard his plane.—Reuter.

Four Die In Train Fire

Madrid, Dec. 3. Four people were killed and 18 were injured when fire broke out on a Gijon-Madrid express at Pajares Asturias today.

The fire started in a mail van as the train was crossing the Pajares Pass in a heavy snow storm.

Today was the third accident on this stretch of the line in the past few weeks.—Reuter.

Heavy Earthquake Recorded

Strong Enough To Do Much Damage

Pasadena, California, Dec. 3. A heavy earthquake about 6,000 land miles away and strong enough to cause "considerable damage" was recorded yesterday on the California Institute of Technology's seismograph.

Dr. Charles F. Richter, seismologist, said that the direction had not been determined. Earlier, the seismograph recorded two strong jolts about 400 miles below the earth's surface in Western Brazil.

Dr. Richter said that while

the shocks probably were felt

on the surface they may not

have been strong enough to do

damage.

Meanwhile, the University of

California recorded a "strong"

earthquake probably in the Pacific Ocean west of the New Hebrides.

In New York a university

seismograph showed two "quite

severe" earthquakes.

Tremors were recorded about

2,700 miles south of New York either in Columbia or Ecuador and "probably on the border."

Another earthquake was

recorded about 9,700 miles from New York and about south-east of New Guinea.—Reuter.

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British Defending The One Escape Gap BUT PYONGYANG DUE TO FALL ANY HOUR Allied Flanks Threatened With Encirclement

FROM LIONEL CRANE

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Their job is to defend the bridge over the Raedon River which is now the only escape route to the south.

Coming down the road from Sunchon is the 27th British Commonwealth Brigade, and if necessary they will join the 29th Brigade in defending the vital link.

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Planes have already been made for a strong defence line to stop this road being cut.

Trouble About Korean War Is To Know Just Where You Are

FROM BERNARD WICKSTEED

Somewhere, But Goodness Knows Where In Korea, Dec. 3.

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Everyone home for Christmas. The next day we hear it is going so badly he's going to drop the atom bomb.

We were going to have some radio sets so that we could hear the news, but we've been on the move so much lately they haven't caught up with us.

The only sort of war news the bewitched, be-something and bewildered soldier gets is when the sergeant comes up and says "Pack up everything. We're moving in two hours."

Even if he knows the place you're going to it's of little help because all names sound like Pingpong, Dingdongbell or Pussdownwell.

About the only way you can tell if you're going forward or back is by looking at the sun. If it's behind, you're advancing; if in front, you're retreating.

ONE BLESSING

One blessing of this war is the Korean education system. Not because of the educated Koreans but because its schools provide us with such excellent, warm billets. I have never seen so school-conscious in my life as here.

When you arrive, dusty, frozen, tired and hungry at some town at nightfall you don't look for a hotel but the nearest school where you are sure to find someone like my friend Corporal Eric Jackson, with a fire made of blackboards and school desks.

Jackson used to drive a truck in Doncaster, but he's now an army cook, and what he doesn't know about the combustible qualities of school furniture is nobody's business.

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General MacArthur and mem-

Glider Record Claimed

Warsaw, Dec. 3. Poland today claimed a new world gliding record with a height of 9,850 metres (32,313 feet) by Andrzej Brazuski accompanied by a passenger, Wladyslaw Parczewski on December 1.

A statement said the previous world record of 8,050 metres was held by Lieutenant Axel Person, of Sweden, since July 1947.—Associated Press.

US Alerts General Assembly MEDIATION TALKS GOING ON

New York, Dec. 3.

The United States today alerted the UN General Assembly to be ready to deal with the intervention of Chinese Communists in Korea.

This development came as India's Sir Benegal N. Rau prepared to meet tonight with Chinese Communist representative Wu Hsien-chuan in an attempt to mediate a peaceful settlement.

"Negotiations have entered an extremely difficult stage and I prefer not to say anything further at the moment," he said just before the scheduled meeting.

The Indian diplomat added that he doubted if he would have anything to say afterwards.

He was non-committal as to the possibility of successful results but stressed that he and his government were doing everything possible to bring peace to the Far East.

NEWS TO HIM

Sir Benegal said rumours in diplomatic circles here that Peking had demanded an allied withdrawal below the 38th parallel as a preliminary to a peaceful settlement were news to him.

Sir Benegal and Wu had an exploratory conference last

Queen Juliana's State Visit To Britain



Queen Juliana of the Netherlands and her Consort, Prince Bernhard, shown disembarking at Dover from Holland for their State visit to London. They had crossed the Channel in a gale which at times reached a force of 70 miles an hour. The Royal visitors were met by the Duke of Gloucester who can be seen just behind the Queen.—London Express Service.

Serious Desert Clash Of Israelis & Arabs

Tel-Aviv, Dec. 3.
Jordan and Israeli light guns fought a duel today in the barren desert around Wadi Araba after a "cold" frontier dispute had turned into a bloody clash.

Grotewohl Changes Strategy

Berlin, Dec. 3.
An appeal has been made by Dr Otto Grotewohl, the East German Premier, to the West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, for negotiations to unify Germany on the basis of the Prague proposals, the official East German news agency reported today.

Herr Grotewohl, in a personal letter handed to Dr Adenauer by a special courier at Bonn on Friday, suggested that six representatives from each Government should meet to prepare for an all-German unity conference.

"The negotiations should aim at setting up an all-German Council as was suggested by the eight East European Foreign Ministers at the Prague Conference in October," the letter said.

The Prague proposals, which were rejected by the Western Allies and the West German Government, called for equal representation of East and West Germany in an All-German Constitutional Council.

The population of West Germany outnumbers that of East Germany by nearly three to one. For the first time since the rival governments in Germany were formed, an official East German announcement referred to Dr Adenauer by his formal title of "Federal Chancellor." Previously he had been referred to as the "separatist Chancellor."

It was also the first time that the East German Government had directly approached a member of the West German Government instead of using Soviet occupation power machinery.—Reuter.

Civil Government's Collapse In North Korean Capital

North-West Front in Korea, Dec. 3.
The Civil Government collapsed in Pyongyang tonight.

The United Nations defence arc north of the city, after pulling back another 10 miles last night, continued to shrink today although not in actual contact with the Communists.

The main reason was the reported Jade Chateau concentration on the right flank. But the Communists have so far not used them to take advantage of the "Mud" United Nations defences.

The British 7th Armoured Division holding an important sector of the danger area had not left Chateau, nor, for the past 24 hours, dug in on snow-covered ridges, a series of hills. The British are confident that it could handle its front if the tanks.

For the moment, the British are holding out, but the Chinese are pushing forward. The line may break but the British need

Attlee

Calls Cabinet Before Flying To See Pres. Truman

Last-Minute Conferences Held At Downing Street

The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, called senior Cabinet Ministers to Downing Street tonight for a last minute conference five hours before flying to Washington for his momentous talks with President Truman.

Hint Of Peking's Terms

Lake Success, Dec. 3.

The Chinese People's Republic might be prepared to settle the Korean conflict with a cease-fire line establishing the 38th Parallel, among other terms, sources close to the Soviet Union said here today.

These sources, known to be in close touch with the Peking delegation at present in New York, outline these three additional terms:

(1) Restoration of the North Korean regime north of the Parallel and the holding of all-Korea elections within a short time after the cessation of hostilities.

(2) Withdrawal of the United States Seventh Fleet from Formosa waters and the cessation of further American aid to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

(3) Immediate admission of the People's Republic representatives as the rightful delegates of China in the United Nations.

These terms, it was understood, were to be communicated by Mr Wu Hsia-chuan, Peking representative, to Sir Benegal Narsing Rau, chief Indian delegate, who is acting as the principal negotiating link between the Western Powers and Communist China.

Sir Benegal has seen Mr Wu for the second time at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

At his first meeting with Mr Wu the Indian delegate was understood to have sounded the Chinese on the possibility of a cease fire and the establishment of a stabilised military line pending diplomatic negotiations. No specific line was then mentioned but it is assumed that, after consulting with Peking on Saturday, Mr Wu was authorized to propose the 38th Parallel as a possible settlement.—Reuter.

CEASE FIRE

Amman, Dec. 3.
Israeli and Arab Legion troops who clashed on a disputed road in the desert around Wadi Araba today ceased fire later on the orders of the Mixed Jordan-Israeli Armistice Commission.

Casualties were sustained on both sides in the clash. Reports here said that the clash occurred when an Israeli armed convoy tried to force its way along a three-mile diversionary road which the Israelis constructed in what is considered Jordan territory.

The Arab Legion, considering that the Israelis had trespassed into Jordan territory, deployed an armoured contingent and blocked the road. When the strongly escorted Israeli convoy reached the roadblock, it was reported, it warned the Arab Legion to withdraw. The Arab Legion, in its turn, forced its way through within 30 minutes unless the block was removed.

The Arab Legion ignored the "ultimatum," whereupon, it was said, the Israelis tried to shoot their way through. Their fire was returned. On report tonight said that both sides were rushing reinforcements to the locality.

The Jordan Government informed the acting Chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission that it regarded the Israeli attempt to force a passage across the Jordan territory as a flagrant, willful violation, inasmuch as the construction of the road diversion itself constituted an infringement. Therefore it resolved to defend its integrity.—Reuter.

Americans Go Shopping In Europe

Washington, Dec. 3.

Orders by American department stores for Western European gift merchandise have reached a new post-war record.

The Economic Co-operation Administration reports that the coming Christmas gift trade will be a climax to the export drive which Western Europe had been making this year to reduce its dollar deficit by selling as much merchandise as possible in dollar markets.

European goods which Amer-

ican stores had stocked for the Christmas rush included Austrian skis (popularised by the Alpine sweep of the world skiing championship in Aspen, Colorado, earlier this year), "Angel Bells" from Sweden, Norwegian candle, Dutch gloves, perfumes and other luxury items from France, Danish porcelain and German

Neutrality Justified

Auckland, Dec. 3.

Seth Govind Das, leader of the Indian delegation to the recently concluded Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference here, said today that India felt that she was serving mankind by not allying herself with either bloc in international affairs.

"With increasing internationalisation and the prospect of the old war turning into the Third World War at any moment, it is not easy to follow a neutral foreign policy," he added.

Because of India's unbroken tradition of tolerance and a fervent longing for world peace and universal brotherhood, she was in a unique position to persuade mankind to follow the path of peace. That was the

The main purpose of the Washington talks will be to find a means of localising the fighting in Korea, usually well-informed quarters said.

Mr Attlee went over the ground he will cover with President Truman in a long talk with the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Hugh Gaitskell and with the Defence Minister, Mr Emanuel Shinwell.

But if the worst came to the worst and the military position continued to deteriorate the attitude of the Government concerned would have to be worked out in Washington.

Opinion here is, in any case, strongly opposed to allowing British resources to get bogged down in extensive Far Eastern fighting because of the continuing possibility of a threat to Europe.

THREE-POINT TOPIC

While Korea, Atlantic defence and stockpiling will give a three-point topic to Mr Attlee's agenda in Washington, it is known that he wishes to consider these inter-related problems as a whole.

Mechanics and fitters had been working all day adapting the interior of the aircraft which is taking him to the United States. Decks were installed.

The trans-Atlantic weather forecast promised a smooth flight with good visibility along the whole of the route.

The pilot was to set course for Gander Aerodrome in Newfoundland where he expects to arrive after nine and a half hours for a brief wait while the plane is fuelled.—Reuter.

Rumour Of Peace Plan

London, Dec. 3.
As Mr Attlee took off tonight, diplomatic quarters reported that M. Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India, might make a sensational peace proposal to his Parliament possibly on Tuesday—a conference in neutral territory of the United States, Britain, France, Russia, Communist China and India, aimed at stopping the drift toward war.—United Press.

American Leaders Confer

Washington, Dec. 3.
President Truman top military and diplomatic officials last night and today to review developments in Korea.

The President conferred at Blair House today with Mr Dean Acheson, the Secretary of State, Mr George Marshall, Secretary of Defense, and General O. Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

They reviewed all aspects of the war in Korea for two hours.

They had held a similar session at Blair House yesterday lasting two hours.

Also present at today's session was Mr Truman's foreign affairs adviser, Avrill Hartman.

Mr Charles G. Ross, Presidential Press Secretary, would disclose any details of the discussion at these meetings.

This afternoon Mr Truman went to the White House to work on a speech he is to make on Tuesday morning before Mid-Century Conference children.

Mr Ross said that the speech would "touch on the emergency and will be adapted to occasion".

Mr Ross said that the President would go to Washington National Airport tomorrow morning at 9:30 a.m. to greet British Prime Minister, Mr C. Attlee.—Reuter.

CLOSED DOORS

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New Aid Plan By America

Washington, Dec. 3. President Truman is planning new moves to pump American dollar aid into such Far Eastern trouble spots as the Philippines, Formosa and Indo-China.

The chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Mr Tom Connally, said his Committee would be asked on Monday or Tuesday for authority to use up to \$100,000,000 in Marshall Plan funds for the general area of China. This apparently means President Truman plans to shift some of the United States' emphasis on aid to Europe to Communist threatened Asia. Congress, which has long heard demands for such action, may vote swift approval.

Senator Connally also said the Committee on Monday would begin consideration of President Truman's urgent request for \$36,000,000 in addition food aid for anti-Soviet Yugoslavia. About \$35,000,000 in ERP funds would be wanted for the Pacific areas at the outset. This would be in addition to \$100,000,000 voted by the President last summer for aid in the China area and presumably already spent.

Senator Connally said that ECA, which administers the Marshall Plan, was most anxious to get going in the Pacific and with as few restrictions as possible. The ECA director, Mr William Foster, returned on Saturday from a first-hand survey in the Orient and this is apparently a factor in the proposed programme. The Philippines is expected to be high on the list for early aid. Formosa would receive economic but no military assistance. Burma and Thailand were also mentioned as possible recipients. — United Press.

Berlin Show Of Democracy

Berlin, Dec. 3. In a great show of democracy, West Berliners trooped to the polls today in open defiance of Communist commands to boycott the municipal elections.

Later today, with returns still incomplete, Dr Willy Brandt, election chairman, said at least 90 per cent of the eligible electorate of 1,000,000 had sliced through icy rain and snow flurries to cast ballots.

The heavy vote was a crushing blow to the Russian sector Reds, who waged an intensive propaganda war here for weeks urging the isolated West Berliners to stay away from the polls. — United Press.

Americans Still Debating Use Of Atomic Bomb

Washington, Dec. 3. The question whether atomic bombs should be used against the Chinese Reds in Korea evoked considerable debate in both official and unofficial quarters here today despite the White House statement that there was nothing new in the fact that use of the weapon had been studied.

Touched off by President Truman's comment this week that employment of atomic weapon had been considered, debates were lively both among members of Congress and private citizens.

Two general schools of thought appeared to be emerging. First, those who favour the use of the bomb on the grounds it could speed the end of the war and thus save lives in the long run despite the original toll of casualties caused.

The second group oppose its use for humanitarian or political reasons, or both. This group believe world opinion would criticise use of the bomb. They also question whether the military results would be conclusive enough to warrant risking this criticism.

A Democratic Senator, Edwin Johnson, said in an interview that the United States should drop "a few" of the bombs in Korea and "play war rough."

He is a member of the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee. He claimed the atomic bomb "has great use as a weapon against troops and I think now is the time to use not one but several."

SPECULATION

Observers here speculated whether Senator Johnson's statement was made in the light of certain knowledge that a tactical rather than a strategic version of the bomb has now been perfected. That would mean the bomb is usable at the front over troop concentrations like artillery instead of dropped over larger targets such as cities. The last report of the United States Defence Department to the President cited that such a weapon was being worked out, but there had been no public announcement of its status. — United Press.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



India

To Continue Mediation At Lake Success

BENEGAL RAU TO MEET WU SECOND TIME

Lake Success, Dec. 3. A second meeting between General Wu Hsiuchuan, the head of the Peking delegation to Lake Success, and Sir Benegal Nursing Rau, India's representative on the Security Council, will take place in the near future.

The first meeting was held in the Communist Chinese delegation's rooms at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel on Friday and was the result of an Indian initiative to ascertain the possibilities of a peaceful settlement of the Korean conflict.

Sir Benegal Nursing Rau, forewarned by previous failures of India's good offices in the past to evolve an agreed procedure, has been impervious to all requests to throw light on his plans or the nature of his talks with General Wu.

Asked specifically today whether he was proceeding on the basis of an immediate cease-fire in Korea and the establishment of a neutral zone north of the 100-mile wide "wasp waist" of the peninsula to be supervised by a United Nations Commission in which India might participate, Sir Benegal said: "What is your journalistic jargon for a situation like this question?"

"The Indian delegate declined to confirm or deny," he went on. It was reliably learned, meanwhile, that Sir Benegal had not taken up any specific proposals with General Wu so far, and indeed had no justification for doing so in view of the danger that the currently fluid tentative position might outrun tentative suggestions except of a most general nature.

What was even more important, the Indian delegate could not, in the nature of the situation, present concrete proposals unless he knew what the United States, as the leader of the United Nations action in Korea, would concede in the interests of a settlement.

CEASE-FIRE AS BASIS

One thing was today confirmed, namely, that the Indian delegation had been interesting itself in the question of a cease-fire in Korea as the basis of restoring peace.

Such efforts did not, however, originate with Sir Benegal Rau's three-day old talks with General Wu, but dated as far back as the General Assembly resolution of October 7, which permitted General MacArthur's forces to cross the 38th Parallel and authorized them to stay "in Korea" until peace was restored.

When that resolution was presented in the General Assembly, India—although it was not publicly revealed at that time—had suggested to its movers that there be included a provision for the cessation of hostilities and the utilisation of United Nations Peace Observation Commission.

The Indian delegate was then privately rebuffed for mentioning such proposals although Sir Benegal had argued that as the United Nations forces were advancing against a beaten foe and not retreating, as previously, such a gesture would be one of "magnanimity rather than appeasement."

While awaiting a second talk with General Wu, the Indian delegation was at the same time keeping an eye on reported moves in Washington to call a special meeting of the General Assembly tomorrow for the presentation there of a resolution on Korea.

NO RECRIMINATIONS

Reports said that it might be similar to the six-power resolution—calling for the withdrawal of the Chinese Communist forces from Korea—which the Soviet delegate vetoed in the Security Council last week, or make it sitter by branding Communist China as an aggressor.

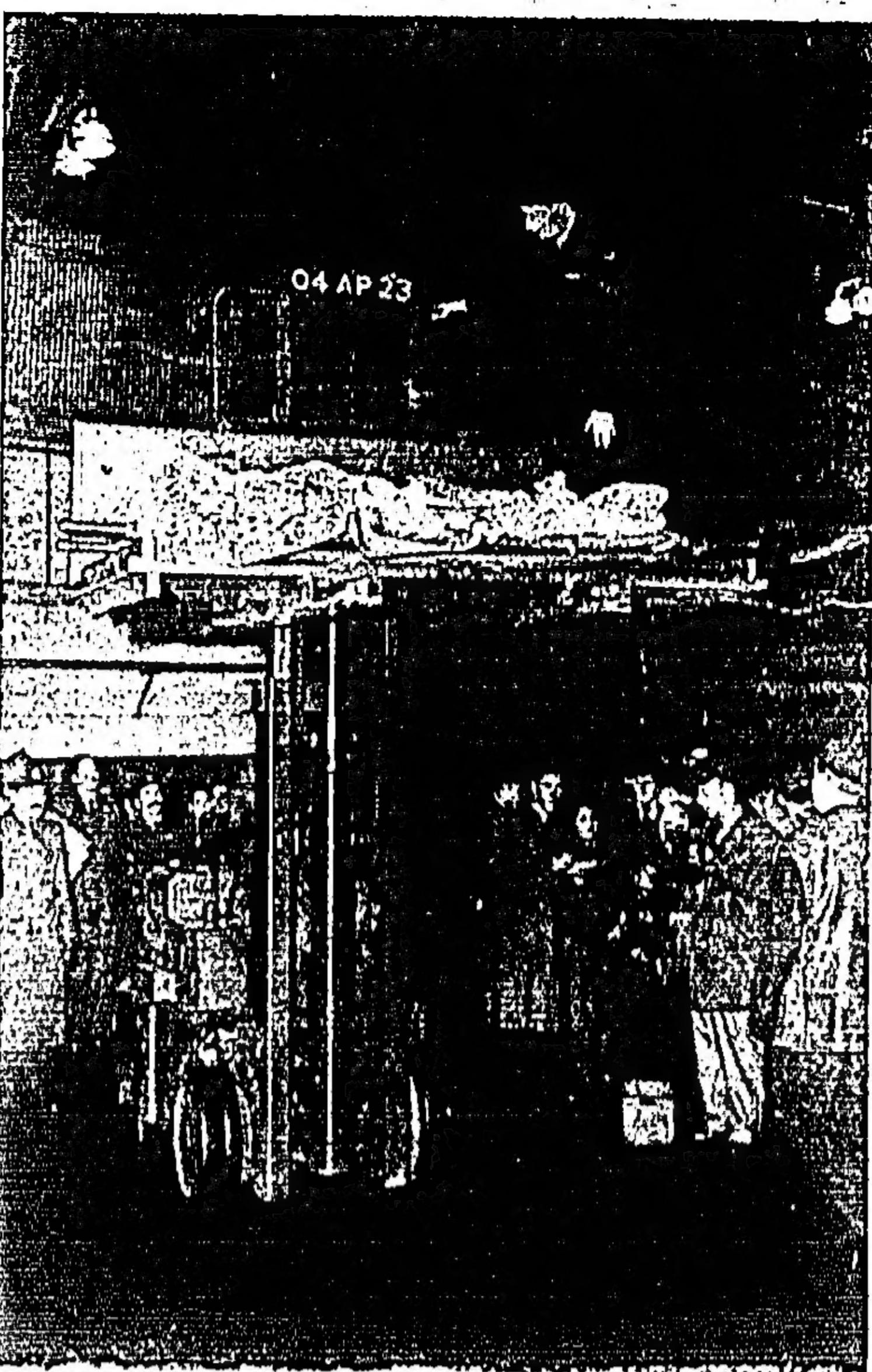
Asked today whether India's non-participation in the Security Council vote on that resolution was resented by the sponsors of the resolution, particularly the United States, a source close to the Indian delegation said that his impression was exactly the opposite.

The source said that the Indian delegation had not received from New Delhi any

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



Home From The War



Sick and wounded British Servicemen from the Korean war front were flown to Britain aboard an RAF transport hospital plane from Singapore. Picture shows Pte. John Thompson being landed from the plane on his stretcher by a mobile lift.—London Express Service.

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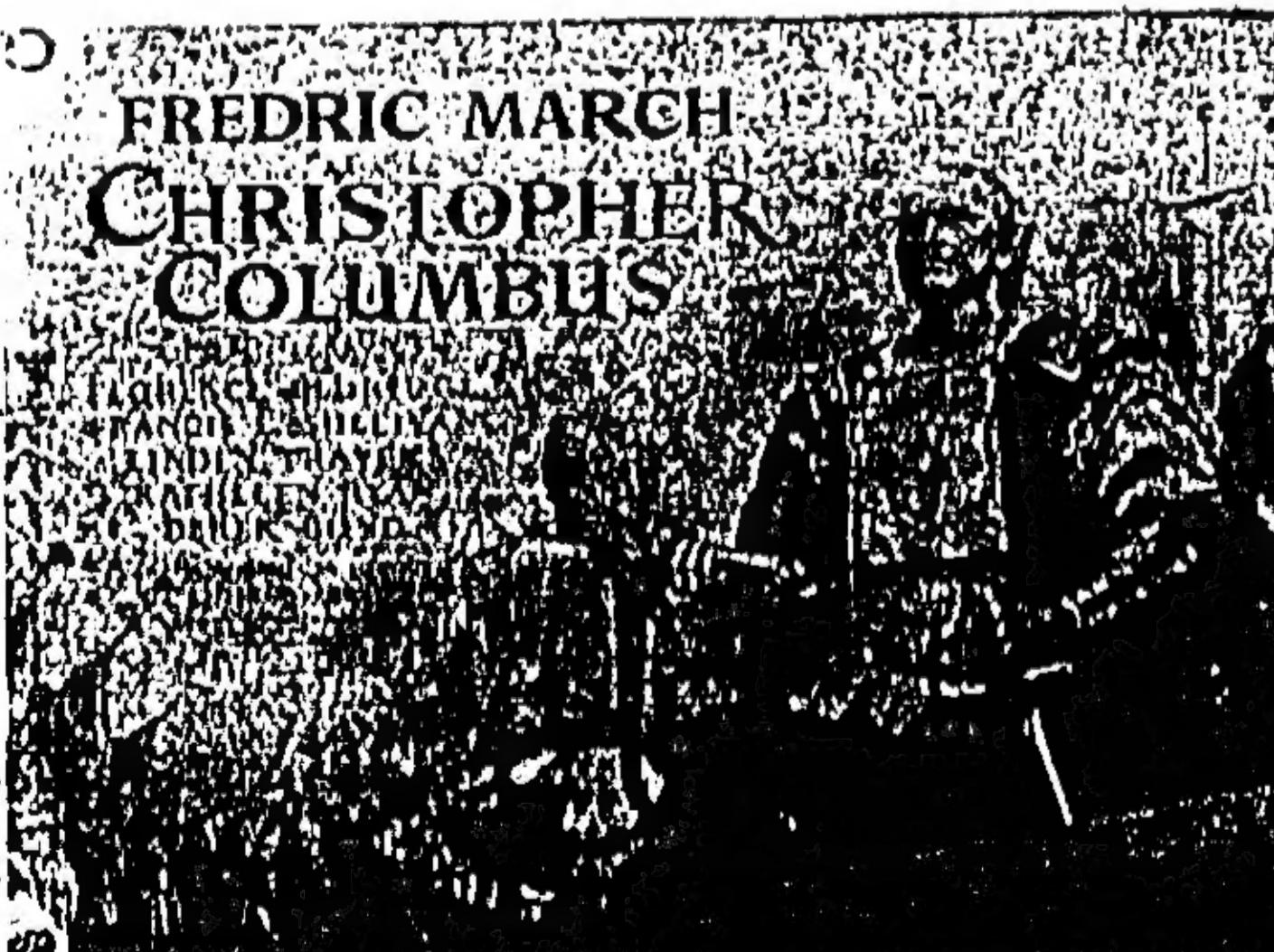
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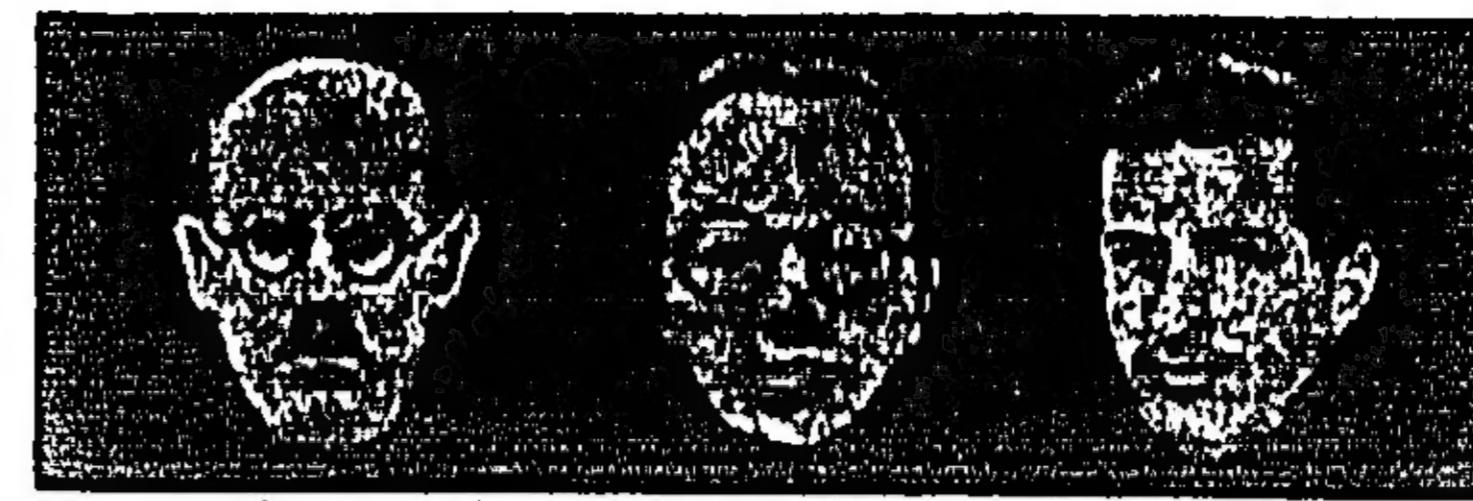
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CONTINUING A CHINA MAIL INQUIRY INTO ITS SUCCESSES, ITS

FAILURES, AND ITS EFFICIENCY AS A 1950 INSTRUMENT OF SECURITY

M.I.5 - Three times when the screen failed



NUNN MAY FUCHS PONTECORVO

Chapman Pincher TESTS THE LEGENDARY SKILL OF OUR SECRET SERVICE

This happened when a journalist in London evaded the censorship by sending a code message to America stating that the cruiser Belfast had been damaged by a U boat in the Firth of Forth.

When the news was printed in America, the British security authorities examined all the cables to track down the sender. Among the cables were these seven—but their significance was missed.

"WE ARE SENDING STORY
ABOUT SUBMARINE!"

"PLEASE TELL HARVARD I
WANT MY SON ENTERED."

"AS ORDERED, AM GETTING
FORTH."

"GOVERNMENT WAS NOT
ATTACKED."

"IF YOU PERSIST SOME-
BODY'S REPUTATION MAY
BE DAMAGED."

"SMITH COVERS DUBLIN
NOT BELFAST."

"UNTRUST THAT ANY PRI-
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The journalist had also sent a cable to New York reading: "It's the last word that counts." The last words of the seven cables make up the message: "SUB-
MARINE ENTERED FORTH,
ATTACKED, DAMAGED,
BELFAST; ESCAPED."

The deciphering experts failed completely to see this hidden message. Even the word "Bel-
fast" did not give them a clue at the time.

Security arrangements should, of course, have advanced a great deal since 1938. But have they?

Last year I could have stolen the plans of a most secret research station from an unguarded Works Ministry hut, just as Kelly did.

I saw, too . . .

I FOUND the hut while walking round the site of the Government's new jet research station near Farnborough, Hants. Through the window I could see piles of blueprints, giving the names of buildings and showing full engineering details. The whole site was deserted.

When I reported these facts to Works Ministry buildings, chief Sir Charles Mole, he confirmed that the plans were top-secret.

A great part of the reputation of British Intelligence men springs from their skill at decoding. In World War I, they quickly broke the code used by the German Navy. They used the code of the captured spy Karl Mueller to send misleading messages to the enemy.

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Tomorrow: The third and final report

Meeting place

Men of M.I.5 heard that Kelly, a bricklayer working on a new weapons factory, was spending far more than he earned. They shadowed him, and discovered that he was borrowing blueprints of the factory and showing them to Reinhardt, who paid him.

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In my judgment, we get three security shocks—in a row—Nunn May, Fuchs, and Pontecorvo.

(London Express Service)

Perhaps it was fortunate for us that most of the men who came to Britain to spy carried the obvious evidence of their profession. Those who came as refugees often had too many documents and a too-well-tempered tale.

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POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"By the way, therefore,
I hear the Under-Secretary
of State wants to have a word with you about
those 16 extra lines of Virgil
you so kindly volunteered in
Prep. last night."

FILIPINO'S OPEN LETTER TO MAO

An open letter to Mr Mao Tse-tung by an anonymous Filipino is one of the many interesting features of the December issue of Hong Kong's new periodical The Orient.

This letter, couched in simple, everyday language, asks the leader of the Chinese Communists to abstain from alignment with the Soviet Union on the plea that such a link-up would place Asia within the orbit of the Russians.

The usual feature "Mirror of Opinion" recapitulates a number of editorials which appeared in last month's Asiatic newspapers. Without exception, the opinions used in this issue reflect anti-Communist views.

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European economic leaders will discuss the co-ordination of Europe's needs and those of the United States with American Economic Co-operation Administration (ECA) officials next week, the ECA chief, Mr William Foster, announced here today.

Mr Foster, who has just returned from a world tour of inspection, said that European leaders were concerned about the future of the Marshall Plan.

"They realize," he said, "that the demands on our own economic system will mean considerable adjustments in the present programme." — Reuter.

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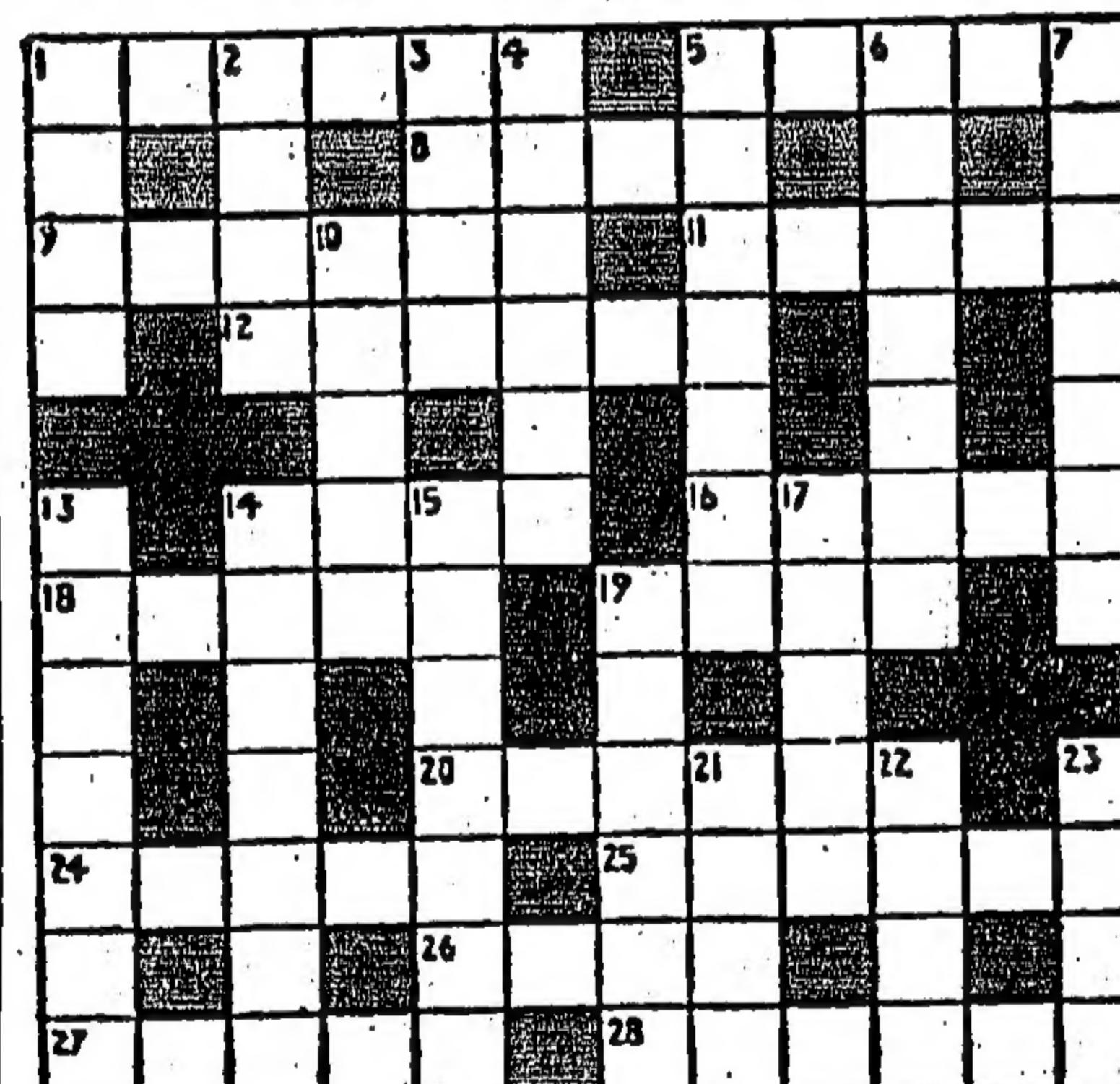
SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



When we get the fire going grandly, all the children do the same.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Gathered
- 5 Swinging-block
- 8 Sell
- 9 Unsophisticated
- 11 Slave
- 12 Fine residence
- 14 Ver.
- 16 Ardent
- 18 Connect
- 19 Brink
- 20 Soprano
- 24 Paling
- 25 Bring into being
- 26 Ceremony
- 27 Burdened
- 28 Sways

DOWN

- 1 Concise
- 2 Speak imperfectly
- 3 Wickedness
- 4 Term of years
- 5 Stuck to
- 6 Small town
- 7 Raffle
- 10 Impiled
- 13 Injurious
- 14 Matured
- 15 Reading-dead
- 17 Spy
- 19 Quists
- 21 Concoction
- 22 Merit
- 23 Emoluments

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Comma, 4 Moulds, 8 Folled, 10 Essay, 12 Picnic, 14 Senator, 17 Luce, 19 Catered, 20 Singlet, 22 Oral, 23 Scuttled, 27 Revere, 29 Verto, 30 Spigot, 31 Howard, 32 Dirty. Down: 1 Cuffs, 2 Mcion, 3 Adept, 5 Oven, 6 Lascars, 7 Styled, 9 Diocese, 11 Silent, 13 Craters, 15 Emir, 16 Angles, 18 Code, 20 Solver, 21 Narrow, 24 Tepid, 25 Lager, 26 Ditty, 28 Veer.

FERN'D NARD

Dog's Life



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By Mik



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WOMANSENSE

ADJUSTING TO KINDERGARTEN

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

If, as you entered the kindergarten, you had played with practically no one but a brother or sister a year younger and had almost never been beyond, the sight and hearing of your mother, you might have acted as the little boy described below by his mother:

"In September I started my five-year-old son in kindergarten and I was very anxious for him to attend these classes as he never played much with other children with the exception of a four-year-old sister."

problem won't be so much to help him to adjust to the school when he goes back as to wean him from yourself gradually at home.

While both of you parents are home let Dad take over more and more of his management and entertainment events at night. Often leave him with Dad for short periods and longer periods later. Still later, leave him occasionally with a competent baby sitter. And still later, leave this child with Dad or another person for longer periods, even for a night or a week end.

A PLAY SCHOOL

At almost any sacrifice, find ways for him to play with other children about his age, only at first and more later.

Find some friends who have children of his age, preferably some whose children will be in his kindergarten next term. They and you might well visit each other's homes with your children. Better still, if three or more of you mothers would improvise a play school, meeting in one another's homes a few times a week. And don't neglect playmates for the younger child, too.

Do all you can to help your son look after himself and amuse himself more and more. Near the end of this term, a visit of a few hours in the kindergarten he left might be helpful. Fine, also, if you could prevail on the teacher she will have next term to take a meal or two at your home so the boy might grow acquainted with her.

Boosting Cellular Fabric

After 50 years, "Aertex", the cellular fabric with which company in England pioneered new thought in men's underwear at the turn of the century, is still one of the most famous names in the world. In its field, the cellular woven fabric is now used for outer garments as well and demand for both kinds of men's wear has been ahead of supply ever since export selling reopened at the end of World War II.

Because of the company's assurance that more factory space would mean more export business, Britain's Board of Trade endorsed the application for building licences to enable a large new factory to be commenced at Somerton, in the English county of Derbyshire. First section of this was opened recently; when completed, the factory will employ 1,000 people and rank as one of the finest in the English midlands.

The company will enjoy the benefits of centralised production enabling the entire process to be carried out under one roof. A pretty arm is worth its weight in beauty prizes. There's loveliness in a well-turned wrist and dimpled elbow.

A Beauty Treatment For Arms

By HELEN FOLLETT

SOME faces wrinkle prematurely. Ill health and bad days, lay on the accordion pleats. Some necks go hawkeyed and get fiddle-stringy. But arms stay as they are unless one becomes emaciated or allows fat cells to form adipose cushions. They take on discolourations. If tanned to the limit, overexposure to sunlight is a mistake unless soothing oils are applied to form a protective barrier against blazing rays. Sometimes little red points appear — we call that condition gooseflesh — but careful treatment will remove them.

Scrub, scrub

All you have to do is to scrub, scrub, scrub with a heavy-wheeled brush, rinse and dry, anoint with cocobutter or lanoline, friction from wrist to elbow. Do long, sweeping strokes. Form a bracelet with fingers and thumbs, encircle the arm, keep moving upward with heavy pressure. Sprinkle on borated talcum to form a paste, say prayers and go to bed.

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At this season of the year, beauty shops are busy with hand-and-arm treatments to bring back the clear colouring after the outdoor life of the summer season. Steaming towels are applied to soften dead, discoloured skin scales that will gradually fluff away. After the steaming, a creamy massage is given.

At Finger Nails

This treatment starts at the finger nails, the cuticle about the pink sheath receiving special attention. Knuckles get a thumbing. The backs of the hands and the palms receive up and down strokes. Elbows are seldom what they should be so a bleaching cream or lotion is applied on those areas.

Well-formed arms should not content one; they should move beautifully. An exercise that makes for graceful leg and arm movements is this: stand tall, tummy in, chest high. Lift on the toes, in the same time send the arms out in front, raise them high and lightly. Up on the toes, up with the arms; down on the heels, down with the arms — a sort of swinging movement.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Knarf, Hanid Visit Blinky

—They Find Him Sitting on the Back Porch—

fall asleep. Hello there, Givie!"

It was Givie the Snail.

"A pleasant evening to you, Givie!"

"Good evening, Givie! Good evening!" Knarf and Hanid and Blackie all said together.

Givie, smiling with pleasure, returned all these friendly greetings. He walked slowly, as he always did, leaning on a thick cane. "Mind if I sit on your back doorstep for a few minutes?" he said to Blinky.

"Pleasant evening to you, my dears!" Blinky greeted them.

Knarf and Hanid returned Blinky's greeting. Then they both sat down on Blinky's back doorstep next to him.

"Nicest time of the day," Blinky said. "Better than the morning, better than the afternoon. In the evening the day's

work is done, and a body can sit for an hour or two, just resting. Hello, Blackie!" he suddenly called out as Blackie Beele came out from under the rock where he lived. "Pleasant evening to you, my friend!"

"Not at all, my dear friend! Make yourself comfortable. I was just telling the others here what a cheerful thing it was, come the evening, to sit down with a fine book and read until your eyes closed with sleep."

Givie nodded. "Books are wonderful things. They talk to you — and no one hears them but yourself. They tell you stories. They describe far-away places and wonderful adventures."

"Like Alice in Wonderland!" said Hanid.

"And like Christopher Robin and Pooh Bear and Piglet!" said Knarf.

Read A Story

Blinky and Blackie and Givie weren't sure they knew either of these stories. "Once," said Blinky, "I read a story about a boy named Aladdin. He had a magic lamp. When he rubbed it, a genie appeared and did anything that Aladdin wished."

"Suppose," said Blackie to Blinky, "you had a lamp like that. What would you wish for?"

Blinky chuckled. "Well, to tell you the truth, I wouldn't wish for anything that I haven't got already. What do I want? Good friend, a good house to live in, plenty of food to eat and drink, and lots of work to keep me busy. A magic lamp wouldn't do me a bit of good, no sir — except perhaps, to get me a little thing more."

Knarf and Hanid and Blackie and Givie all wanted to know what this thing was.

"Oh, just an extra pair of dark glasses to wear on sunny days," said Blinky, chuckling again. "I really don't need an extra pair. But it would be handy to have it. I'm always leaving my only pair upstairs when I'm downstairs, and downstairs when I'm upstairs."

"Of course," Blinky went on, "the cheeriest thing of all to do after you've sat long enough on your back doorstep, is to go to your room, light the lamp, pick out an interesting book, and read until you fall asleep."

Back Doorstep

"Good evening, good evening, Blinky! Good evening Knarf and Hanid!" returned Blackie. Then he also joined Knarf and Hanid and Blinky on the back doorstep.

"I was just saying," Blinky said, smiling at Blackie, "that the evening was the best time of the day."

"It is indeed!" agreed Blackie.

"You're through with the day's work, and it's not yet time for bed. You're good and tired. But not too tired."

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Rupert's Climbing Adventure

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Your Sewing Scrapbook
by Mary Brooks Picken

Plaid Wrap-around Skirt—High Fashion at Low Cost

WHEN you shop for a separate skirt, you see all kinds. Nicest ones usually cost more than your pocket-book says you should pay.

We show you a skirt easy to make that requires for the average figure only one skirt length plus a hem and 2½" allowance for waistband of 60" fabric.

Buy a beautiful plaid (yard-goods departments abound in them), or buy a lovely fabric of a pleasing colour—a fabric not too tightly woven hangs and fringes best.

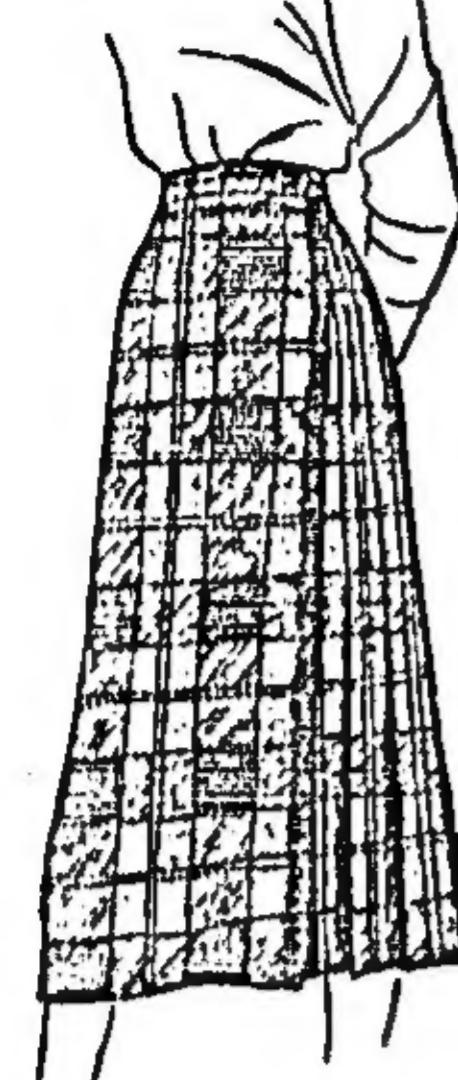
Depending on Height

You need ¾ yd., 1 yd., or 1½ yds. of material, depending on your height. Straighten fabric. Put hem in bottom, using a seam binding at top of hem, as at A.

Cut away selvage on the side that laps over right to left. Ravel out lengthwise threads for about 2". Do this carefully so no crosswise threads are broken.

Straight Seam

Stitch a strip of straight seam binding by machine along ravelled edge, as at B, so that edge cannot ravel further.



The pleats can be placed to one side as at I, centred, or divided so some are on both sides.

Three Pleats

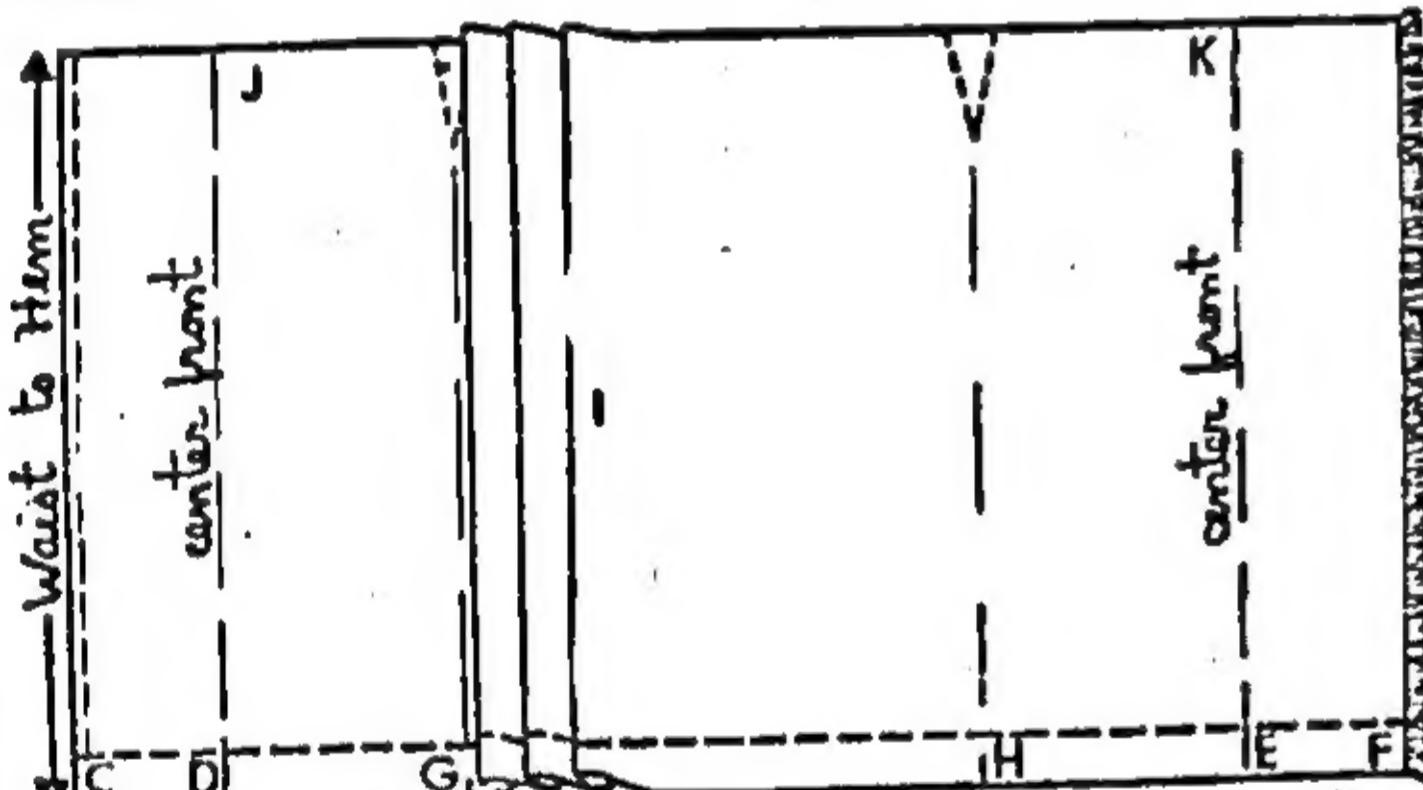
The same principle of overlap should be made. Make more or less pleats as your measurements require.

A dart at each side is indicated to take up some waistline fullness. Baste pleats from hem up to hipline. Pin them from hipline up, lapping pleats so waistline will measure correctly for you. Take this measurement from J to K. When pleats are folded in, baste them.

Smoothness Over Hips

Put skirt on. Lap so centre front lines meet. Make sure of smoothness over hips. Stitch pleats from hipline to waistline; then stitch belt band on, right side of band to wrong side of skirt. Bring to right side and stitch.

Put a hook and eye at centre front, work a buttonhole at end and sew a button to correspond on band. Press carefully so pleats will be straight and true.



Swedish Touch, New In Separates

A COMPLETE line by Gray flannel with black velvet—a new Swedish firm in New York, offered a new fashion approach of Swedish—modern touches to separates.

WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK of separates, for example, Katja shows a black wool jersey blouse which has a woven-fringe border insert (brown and natural) down the shoulders and sleeves. The same border-stripes are used for design in the skirt. And tiny, yarn-fringe tassels accent both blouse and skirt. Raglan sleeves for waistband or puffed-sleeved jackets, and drop-shoulder seams for a line-up of full-sleeved cotton shirts, illustrate the silhouette directions for autumn. Both full and straight-pleated skirts go with these tops.

AN OUTSTANDING outfit is the reversible plaid and velvet boxer jacket. It is in red-and-black plaid, and is shown to go with a black velvet-trimmed skirt or a companion red-black tweed skirt.

Similar Yet Different

The two coats shown here are on similar lines with different little touches.

The casual coat that is so designed that it has an important or dressy look is a wise choice for the one-coat wardrobe. Soft cashmere is used for this beauty shown below cut on casual lines, but acquiring a degree of importance through black velvet, used for the buttons and for the backning of the jutting collar. The shoulders are gentle, ample sleeves are made to be pushed up. The coat is straight in front and flared in back.

TEACHER'S SUGGESTION

"The fourth day I had a long talk with the principal of the school. She suggested I take him out of kindergarten until the next term. She said not to force him to go to school as he might become antagonistic and dislike school from his first days on through all twelve years. Everyone to whom I have talked tells me I made a great mistake in taking him out of school and I'll have trouble all over again."

In substance here is how I answered her:

"While in some cases I would advise the child be taken to school whether he wanted to go or not, in your case the advice of the school principal seems to have been wise. Your

daughter will begin early in 1951 on the Margaret McMillan Training College at Bradford in the English county of Yorkshire which when completed will provide training for nursery-infant teachers, with a residential accommodation for 150 students. Margaret McMillan, after whom the College is named, was one of England's great social workers. She was born in New York in 1860 but came to Britain at an early age and was associated with the Labour Movement in Bradford. She was elected to the local school board. It was largely through her efforts that in 1899 the first recorded medical inspection of schoolchildren took place.

She went to London with her sister, Rachael, at the beginning of this century and founded a children's clinic at Bow in the East End of London. Some years later the sisters went to Deptford in the county of Kent and inaugurated what was the pioneer open-air nursery school. In 1911 Margaret McMillan

was especially glad that the College is being started now because of the pressing need for teachers of young children in the next few years," said Mr George Tomlinson, Minister of Education, at the recent inaugural ceremony of the new College.

IN MEMORY OF NURSES

Queen Elizabeth opened the Nurses' War Memorial Chapel in Britain's Westminster Abbey, and unveiled a memorial window, on November 2. The Chapel is the only one of its kind in the world and is the nurses' own memorial to their colleagues who gave their lives in World War II. In addition to the Chapel, the Memorial consists of a fund to provide post-graduate travelling scholarships for nurses and midwives of the British Commonwealth. For these two purposes alone, more than £77,000 has been raised, mainly by the nurses themselves.

Representatives of the profession from every part of the Commonwealth were present at the opening ceremony of the Memorial Chapel in November.

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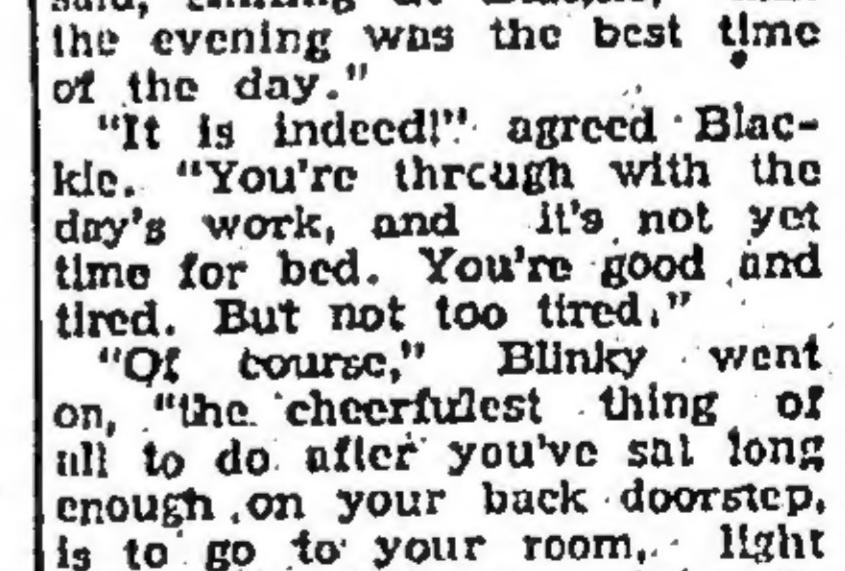


Edwin Foreman

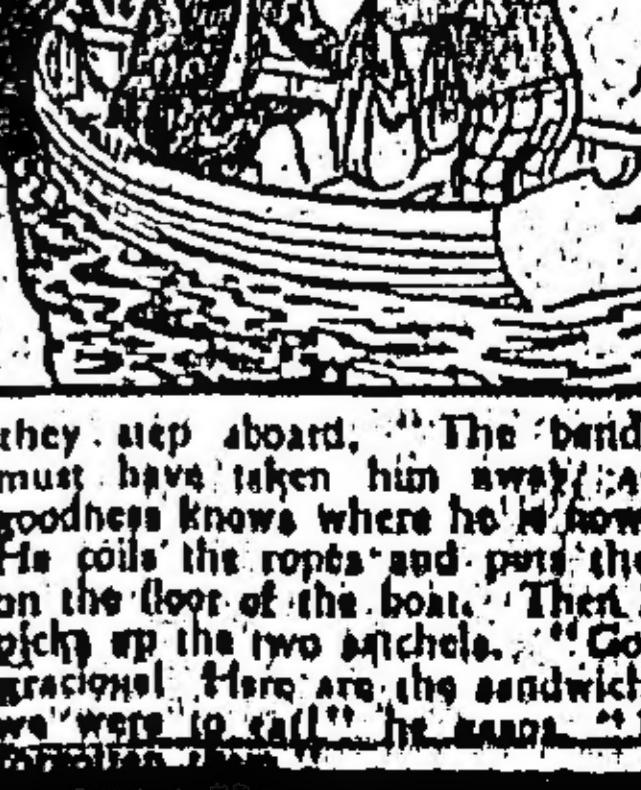
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they step aboard. The bandit must have taken him away, goodness knows where he's going. He coils the ropes and puts them on the floor of the boat. Then he picks up the two anchors. "Good gracious! Here are the sandwiches we were to eat," he says. "Good gracious!"

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Case-book of Sir Patrick Hastings, KC. . . Chapter 7

PRINCESS OLGA PALEY LOSES HER TREASURES

WHEN the Princess Olga Paley went into the witness box in one of the Royal Courts of Justice in 1929, and told her story of what she had suffered in St Petersburg, the Russian Revolution, with all its attendant horrors, suddenly ceased to be a half-forgotten tale. It became a living thing.

Her home had been torn from her, her husband had been murdered, and she had barely escaped from Russia with her life.

I have heard many tragedies in my life, but the story told by Princess Paley I shall never forget.

The Princess was the widow of the Grand Duke Paul of Russia, a Royal Prince of the Imperial House. She had married without the consent of the Tsar, and, in consequence, her marriage was morganatic. It is perhaps an irony of fate that she may have owed her life to the fact that she never became legally a member of the Romanoff family.

Revolution

She lived with her husband in the Paley Palace at Tzarskoe Selo, a district just outside St Petersburg, where she maintained a household of dignity and affluence. The Palace was furnished with articles of great beauty and immense value, and was undoubtedly one of the great homes of Russia.

A month or so after the Revolution broke out in St Petersburg the revolutionaries appeared at the Palace, and from that moment the Grand Duke and the Princess were never allowed to live in their home again.

For a time the Princess was allowed to perform the menial task of escorting round the Palace those Comrades of the Revolution who desired to inspect her treasures, but that respite did not last for long. Within a few months the Grand Duke was arrested and thrown into prison in St Petersburg. The Princess herself was not arrested, but she voluntarily followed her husband into the city so that she could visit him. That, too, did not last long. Soon afterwards her husband was murdered in prison, and the Princess fled from Russia without a passport, and finally arrived in England, where, like so many of her compatriots, she lived without a country or a home.

The court was crowded. It had become public knowledge that the Princess was going to tell a story of more than ordinary human interest, and many people were anxious to get a glimpse into a page of history.

When she entered the witness-box, the Princess appeared to be the most unmoved person in the court. Never, throughout her story, did she show the slightest sign of the strain from which she must have been suffering.

They began negotiations with an English businessman named Weisz, and finally sold him the effects from the Paley Palace for £48,000.

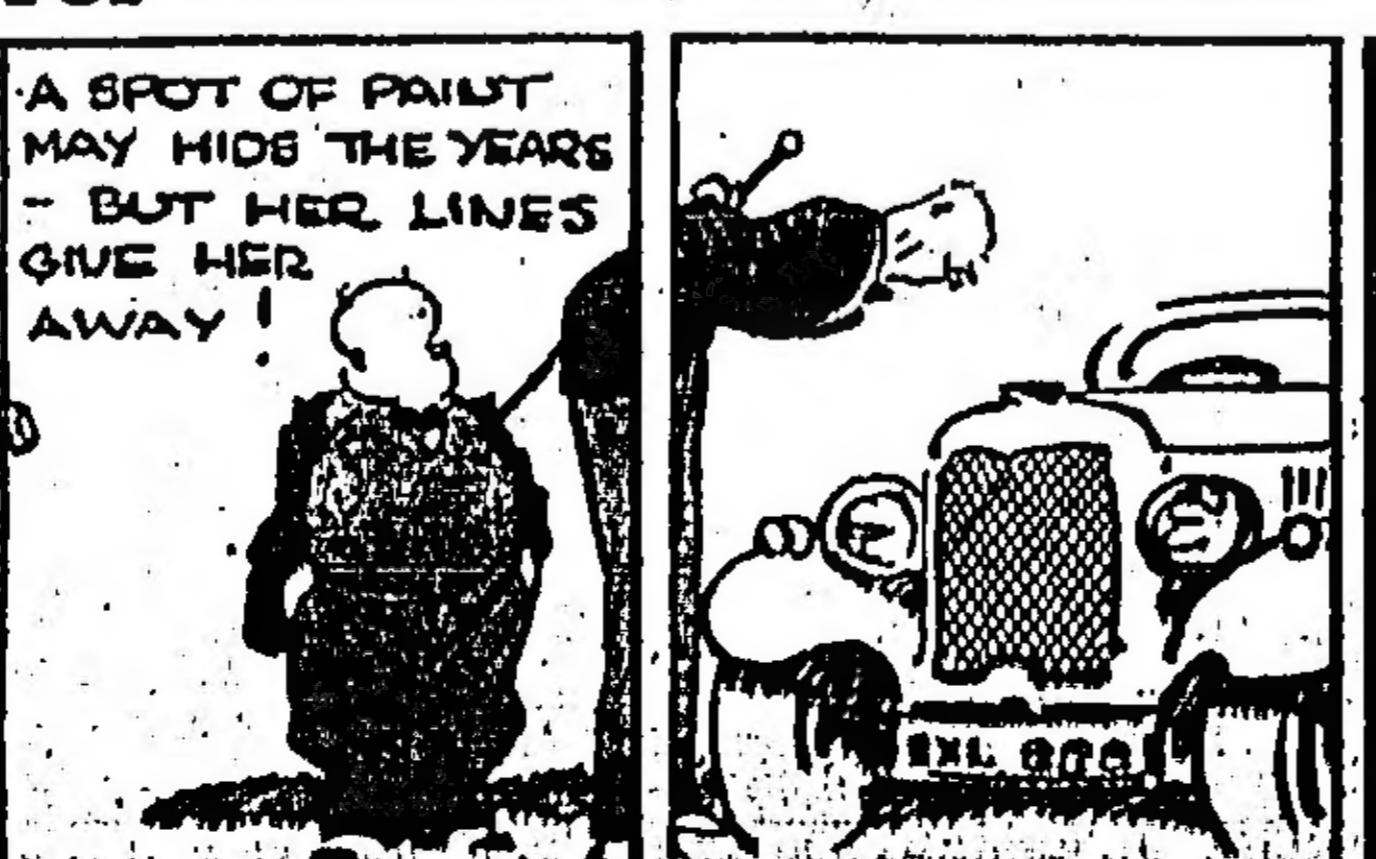
Mr Weisz bought the property in absolute good faith to re-sell in England or elsewhere, being firmly under the impression that the Russian Government were the legal owners.

In due course Mr Weisz shipped the goods to London and news of their arrival reached the Princess. She made inquiries, saw the consignment and immediately recognised it.

Her evidence was short, as there could be no dispute on the facts, but the vital elements in her case had to be proved.

POP

A SPOT OF PAINT
MAY HIDE THE YEARS
- BUT HER LINES
GIVE HER AWAY!



In January, 1918, did some people come to your home?—Yes.

What happened?—I had to show them through the house. They said: "Yes, certainly, this house is worth taking."

At that time, had you any servants in the Palace?—Only an old door-keeper.

After these people came, were you ever allowed to live in your own home again?—Never.

Then were the public allowed in your house?—Yes, I had to show them round.

A few months later, was your husband taken away to prison?—Yes.

What did you do?—I followed him to St Petersburg, to be near him.

Were you ever allowed to see him?—Sometimes.

Took an ikon

While you were in St Petersburg, did you hear that the Palace had been confiscated?—Yes. I went to Tsarskoe Selo. I was not allowed into my home. I was allowed to take an ikon and say farewell.

When was the last time you heard anything from your husband?—January 25, 1919.

What happened to your husband?—Five days later he was murdered in prison.

And what happened to you?—Next month I escaped from Russia, without a passport.

And is all the property we are discussing in this case your property, taken from your home, the Paley Palace?—Yes.

That was all. When the Princess left the box it was quite clear from the faces of the onlookers that there would be no doubt about the result if the decision were left to them, and in that somewhat depressing atmosphere I was constrained to argue that everything had been perfectly legal according to the law of Russia.

That was the whole crux of the case. The court held that the Princess was in Russian law,

maintained, and the beginning of a new economic policy occurred in 1922, ending with a Civil Code in January, 1926, which to some extent recognised private property, subject to certain exceptions in the case of property already transferred to the State.

He said: "Great difficulties have arisen in this case in ascertaining the exact effect of the Soviet Law. The parties cannot agree on a proper translation; their experts differ on the Russian meaning of the legislation, while the English translation is obviously susceptible to various meanings."

"Over and above that, the legal principles involved are so different from our own that it is difficult to appreciate and apply them."

Whole crux

"In the early days of the Revolution the position, as was natural, was vague and uncertain. The local Soviets seem to have been endowed with, or assumed, power. A formal constitution was promulgated on July 10, 1918, under which three bodies were created: (1) The All-Russian Congress; (2) The Executive Committee; and (3) The Council of Peoples' Commissars. The first two had legislative powers, the third mainly administrative, although their decrees were from time to time accepted as legislation."

"At first an attempt was made to nationalise almost everything, but there were express enactments in favour of 'tutors' which provided that, in cases where they were concerned, the law might be administered to some extent in their favour. After a time it was found that the policy of complete nationalisation could not be

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TOMORROW:
**Mr Blennerhassett
And The Yo-Yo**

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rebel, but they suffered them rather than shed their heritage. Time has rewarded their patience and forbearance.

The link today consists of a single, splendid intangible—that the King of England is also the King of Canada. There is not the vestige of authority in Canadian monarchy, but its existence has incubated the idea of a profound significance.

An Empire is dying, but something stronger called the Commonwealth is taking its place. And it is in Canada that the Commonwealth ideal was born.

Nehru 'Saw'

The following story illustrates the birth of this ideal. The Inter-Premier of Canada, Mr Mackenzie King, went to London in 1946 for the Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers which was seeking to bring India as a full partner.

Indian Premier, Pandit Nehru, had misgivings on two grounds. How could India join an association based on allegiance to a foreign crown? How could he personally, after eight years in British gaols, be accepted as loyal?

Mr King indicated the way to the historic compromise which was eventually reached.

He told Mr Nehru that his most treasured possessions hung side by side in his Ottawa home. One was a proclamation offering £1,000 reward for the capture of his grandfather, the Canadian rebel, William Lyon Mackenzie. The other was his own Order of Merit.

He, the bosom friend of the British, was proud of a grandfather who had to flee a British hanging. Could Mr Nehru see the point?

Canadian pioneers shared the same genuine grievances which drove the American colonists to independence.

CANADA STAYS IN THE 'FAMILY'

By McKenzie Porter

OTTAWA.—THE most far-reaching peace-time agreement ever made by Canada and the U.S.A. has just been signed.

It will integrate the economic resources of the two countries to speed up and cheapen munitions production for the North Atlantic Alliance.

It will also renew predictions of early fusion between Canada and the United States. People are now asking: "Does the new pact mean that Canada will move more into the American orbit?"

Such wide-spread ignorance sullies much American and British thinking on the subject of what makes this great nation tick.

There is no more chance of Canada exchanging John Bull for Uncle Sam than there is of Chicago's Anglophile publisher Col. Bertie McCormick, receiving a knighthood.

When Premier St. Laurent failed to contribute a brigade to the British Commonwealth Division for Korea, the average Canadian newspaper "blow its top."

Why aren't we in it? was their reaction. But as soon as the little Franco-Irish-Canadian lawyer said that the biggest danger spot was still Western Europe, they were mollified.

This superficial concept is an affront to the Canadian's spiritual depth and a rejection of his magnificent political record.

Since the Korean war rifts have occurred between Canada and the U.S.A. The paralysing Canadian rail strike was brought about by American power politics. In matters of defence and in the sphere of international co-operation Canada and U.S.A. undoubtedly will come closer together. But domestically Canada will maintain her independence.

There are a thousand influential Canadian families entitled to write the letters U.E.L. behind their names. This is proudly in memory of the fact that their ancestors were United Empire Loyalists who came to Canada after the Boston Tea Party rather than live under "Old Glory."

Angry. Newspapers

Canada has violently resented U.S.A. criticisms of British policy in the Far East. Most Canadian papers keep emphasising that Britain was fighting Communism in Malaya unhonoured and unsung before the North Koreans got their first Russian tanks.

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The old look



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THE HISTORIC BATTLE OF ALAMEIN

By Winston Churchill

The Battle of Alamein began on the night of Oct. 23, 1942. Gen. Montgomery had so successfully concealed the massing of three armoured divisions and the equivalent of seven infantry divisions that the attack achieved complete surprise.

In the full moon nearly 1,000 guns opened up on the enemy batteries for 20 minutes, and then turned on to their infantry positions. Under this concentration of fire, deepened by bombing from the air, the XXXth (Gen. Leese) and XIIIth Corps (Gen. Horrocks) advanced.

Attacking on a front of four divisions, the whole XXXth Corps sought to cut two corridors through the enemy's fortifications. Behind them the two armoured divisions of the Xth Corps (Gen. Lumsden) followed to exploit success.

Strong advances were made under heavy fire, and by dawn deep inroads had been made. The engineers had cleared the mines behind the leading troops. Farther south the 4th Indian Division launched raids from the Ruweisat Ridge, while the 7th Armoured and 44th Divisions of the XIIIth Corps broke into the enemy defences opposite to them. This achieved its object of inducing the enemy to retain his two armoured divisions for three days behind this part of the front while the main battle developed in the north.

Deep system

So far, however, no hole had been blown in the enemy's deep system of minefields and defences. In the small hours of the 25th Montgomery held a conference of his senior commanders, at which he ordered the armour to press forward again before dawn in accordance to his original instructions.

During the day more ground was indeed gained, after hard fighting; but the feature known as Kidney Ridge became the

Break-through

All through the 27th and the 28th a fierce conflict raged for Kidney Ridge against the repeated attacks of the 15th and 21st Panzer Divisions, now arrived from the southern sector. Gen. Alexander has described the struggle in these words:

Forward drive

On the night of Oct. 28 and again on Oct. 30 the Australians attacked northwards towards the coast, succeeding finally in isolating in the pocket thus formed the four (German) battalions remaining there. The enemy appear to have been firmly convinced that we intended to strike up the road and railway, and he reacted to our thrust most vigorously.

He moved up his 21st Armoured Division from its position west of our salient, added to it his 90th Light Division, which was guarding the northern flank of the salient, and put in both in furious attacks to relieve his encircled troops. Into the position vacated by the 21st Armoured Division he put the Trieste Division, his last uncommitted reserve formation.

The magnificent forward drive of the Australians, achieved by ceaseless bitter fighting, had swung the whole battle in our favour. At 1 a.m. on Nov. 2 "Supercharge" began. Under a barrage of 300 guns the British brigades attached to the New Zealand Division broke through the defended zone, and the 9th British Armoured Brigade drove on ahead. They found, however, that a new line

of weapons was facing them along the Rahman track. In a long engagement, the brigade suffered severely, but the corridor behind was held open, and the 1st British Armoured Division moved forward through it.

Then came the last clash of armour in the battle. All the remaining enemy tanks attacked our salient on either flank, and were repulsed. Here was the final decision; but even next day, the 3rd, when our air reports indicated that the enemy's retirement had begun, his covering rearguard on the Rahman track still held the main body of our armour at bay.

The reconnaissance was less successful than in the old days, since both our tanks and anti-tank guns could engage him with longer range. When the enemy attempted to concentrate for the final attack the RAF once more intervened on a devastating scale. In two and a half hours bomber

aircraft forbidding any retreat, but the issue was no longer in German hands. Only one more hole had been punched. Very early on Nov. 4, five miles south of Tel el Agagir, the 6th Indian Brigade launched a quick

attack, and the 44th Division followed. The 21st Australian Division, under Gen. Morshead. They struck northwards from the bulge towards the sea. Montgomery was prompt to exploit this notable success. He held back the New Zealanders from their westward drive and ordered the Australians to continue their advance towards the north. This threatened the retreat of part of the German infantry division on the northern flank. At the same time he now felt that the momentum of his main attack was beginning to falter in the midst of the minefields and strongly posted anti-tank guns. He therefore regathered his forces and reserves for a renewed and revived assault.

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sorties dropped 80 tons of bombs in his concentration area, measuring three miles by two, and the enemy's attack was defeated before he forming up. This was the last occasion on which the enemy attempted to take the initiative.

Congratulations

In these days of Oct. 26 and 28 three enemy tankers of vital importance were sunk by air attack, thus rewarding the long series of air operations which were an integral part of the land battle.

Montgomery now made his plans and dispositions for the decisive break-through (Operation "Supercharge"). He took out of the line the 2nd New Zealand and the 1st British Armoured Divisions, the latter being in special need of reorganisation after its notable share in the repulse of the German armour at Kidney Ridge. The British 7th Armoured and 51st Divisions and a brigade of the 44th were brought together and the whole welded into a new reserve.

The break-through was to be led by the 2nd New Zealand Division, the 151st and 152nd British Infantry Brigades, and the 9th British Armoured Brigade. Meanwhile, in Alexander's words,

I send you my heartfelt congratulations on the splendid feat of arms achieved by the Eighth Army under the command of your brilliant lieutenant, Montgomery, in the Battle of Egypt. Although the fruits may take some days or even weeks to gather it is evident that an event of the first magnitude has occurred which will play its part in the whole future course of the World War.

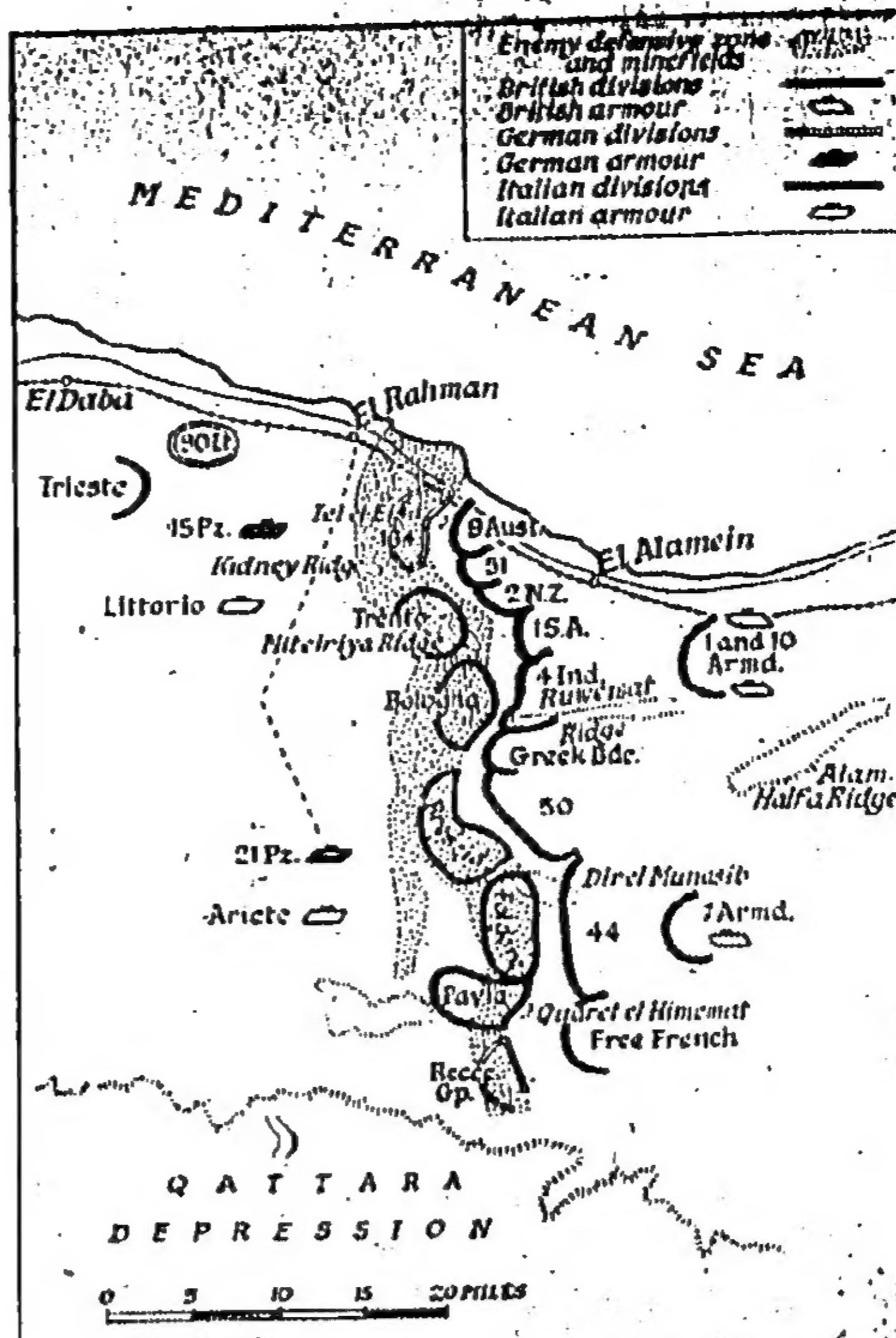
If the reasonable hopes of your telegram [announcing the break-through] are maintained, and wholesale captures of the enemy and a general retreat are apparent, I propose to ring the bells all over Britain for the first time this war. Try to give me the moment to do this in the next few days. At least 20,000 prisoners would be necessary....

Rommel was now in full retreat, but there was transport and petrol for only a part of his force, and the Germans gave themselves priority in vehicles. Many thousands of men from six Italian divisions were left stranded in the desert, with little food or water, and no future but to be rounded up into prison camps. The battlefield was strewn with masses of destroyed or useless tanks, guns and vehicles.

The German Air Force had given up the hopeless task of combating our superior Air, which now operated almost unhindered, attacking with all its resources the great columns of men and vehicles struggling westward. Rommel has himself paid notable tribute to the great part played by the Royal Air Force. His army had been decisively beaten; his lieutenant, Gen. von Thoma, was in our hands, with nine Italian generals.

Good hopes

There seemed good hopes of turning the enemy's disaster into annihilation. The New Zealand Division was directed on Fuka, but when they reached it on Nov. 5 the enemy had already passed. There was still a chance that they might be cut off at Marsah Matruh, whilst the 1st and 7th British Armoured Divisions had been directed. By nightfall on the 6th they were nearing their objective whilst the enemy were still trying to escape, from the closing trap. But then came a new line



THE OPPONING FORCES, OCT. 23, 1942

Throughout the 7th our pursuit was halted. The 24-hour respite prevented complete encirclement. Nevertheless four German divisions and eight Italian divisions had ceased to exist as fighting formations. Thirty thousand prisoners were taken, with enormous masses of material of all kinds. The account of this rout may end with an extract from Gen. Alexander's telegram of Nov. 9.

This great battle can be divided into four stages:

- Grouping and concentration of our forces for battle and deception methods employed, which gained for us surprise, that battle-winning factor.

The break-in attack—that great concentration of force of all arms which punched a hole deep into his defences, and by its disruption created artificial flanks which gave us further opportunities for exploitation.

The thrust now here, now there, which drew off his forces and made him use up his reserves in stopping holes and in repeated counter-attacks.

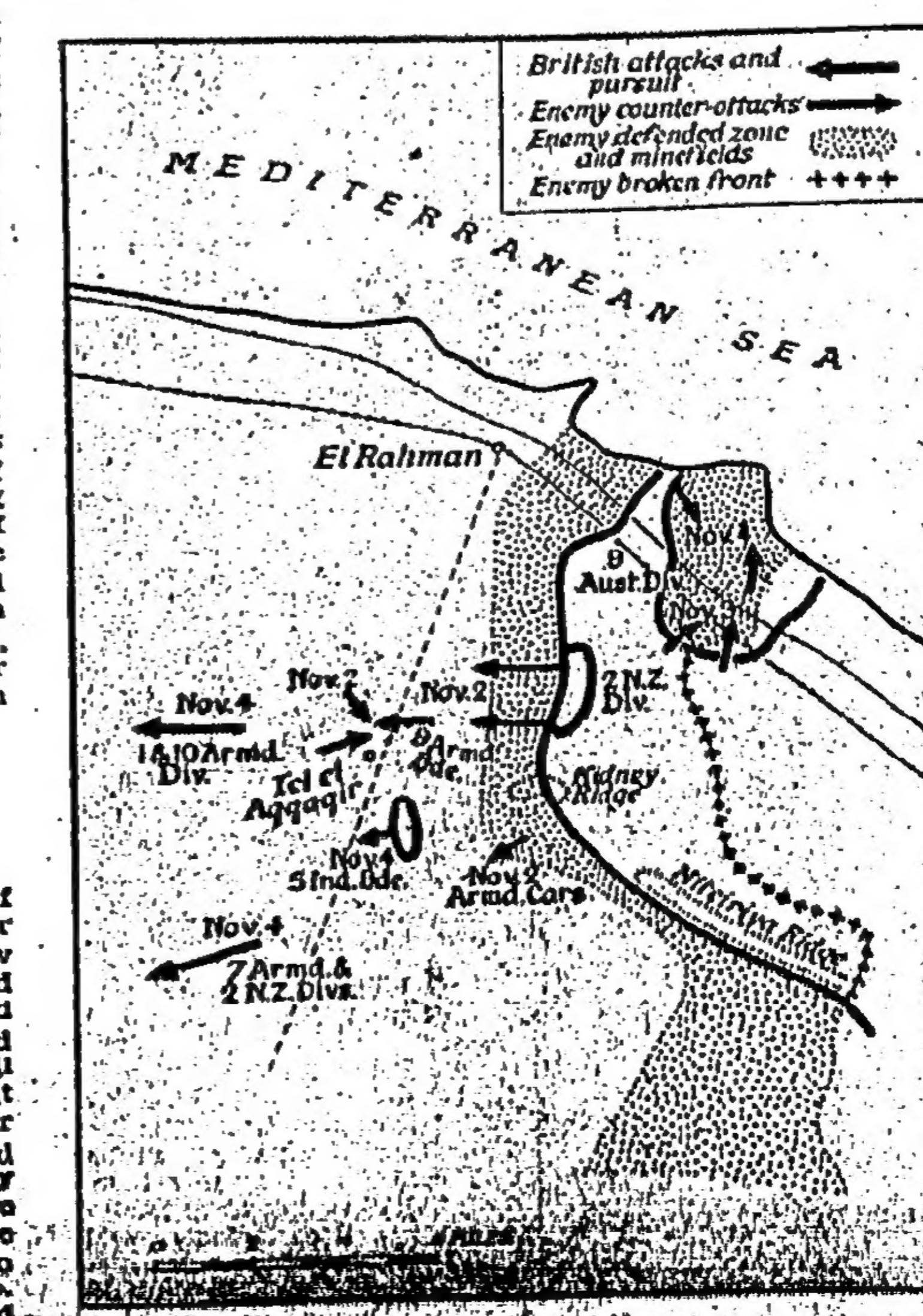
The final thrust, which disrupted his last remaining line of defence and broke a way through — through which poured our armoured and mobile formations.

We had nothing like this superiority at Alamein. The enemy's front consisted not only of successive lines of strong-points and machine-gun posts, but of a whole deep area of such a defensive system. And in front of all there lay the tremendous shield of minefields of a quality and density never known before. For these reasons the Battle of Alamein will ever make a glorious page in British military annals.

There is another reason why it will survive. It marked in fact the turning of "the Hinge of Fate." It may almost be said, "Before Alamein we never had victory. After Alamein we never had defeat."

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(MORE TOMORROW)



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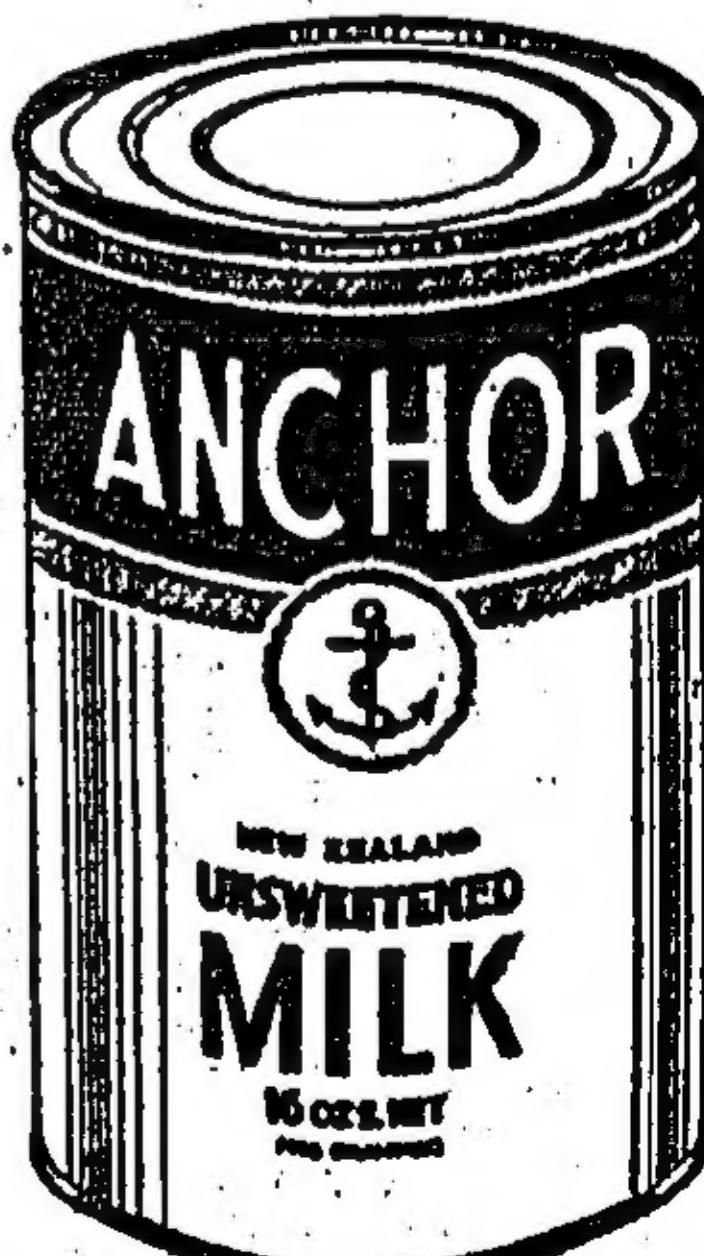
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NOTICE

Swedes Win 7-1
DJURGARDENS SHOW US
HOW MUCH OUR SOCCER
HAS DETERIORATED

By "SPIV"

*The Swedish Djurgardens Soccer team yesterday emulated the feat of their predecessors, the Helsingborg XI, in trouncing the Hongkong Combined Chinese by the identical score of seven goals to one.**In record, the Djurgardens are now on level terms with Helsingborg, whose first match against the Hongkong Combined ended in a 2-1 victory.**In standard of play, however, opinion among the 16,000 spectators, who had expected a close game yesterday, was almost unanimous that better football was seen in last year's match. The pace was much slower, and conspicuously missing were the fine precise first time passes shown by the Helsingborg team, whose ball control was comparatively much more accurate.**Still there were a few lessons in the essence of good play that could be learnt. The dashing combined forward movements, utilisation of the open spaces, through passing of the ball to where the player should be and not where he is, and rapid covering in defence were among them.**The three outstanding players among the visitors yesterday were the blonde 27-year-old and six-foot tall Bernt Ivengren at centre-half, Kjel Cronqvist in goal and Han Jeppson at centre-forward.**Diminutive Kwok Ying-kei, at centre-half, who was given the unenviable task of shadowing centre-forward Jeppson, was perhaps the best player in the local defence, particularly in the first half.*

THE PLAY

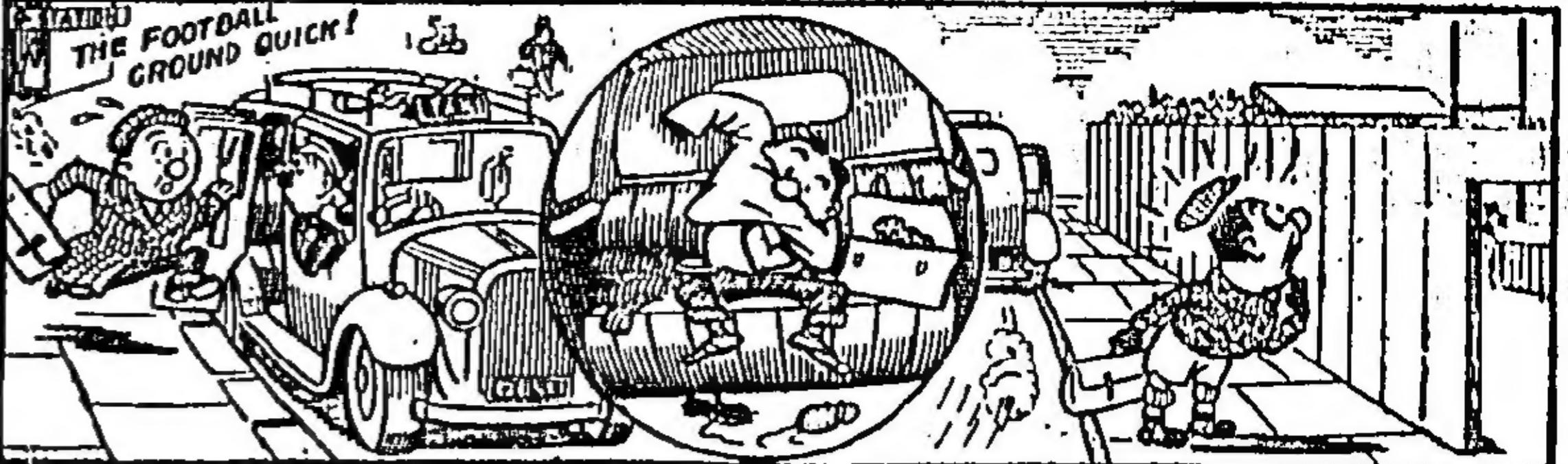
*As to the play itself, Hongkong had about as much of the ball as the Swedes in the first 35 minutes of play. Both defences were prominent during this period until the 35th minute when Hongkong began to crack up. A beautiful square passing movement between the Swedish inside-left and centre-forward from midfield got the ball past the Hongkong right-half and right-back, ending in a waist high shot into the net from inside-left Cederborg.**Three minutes later, an upward feeding pass by the Swedish right-half was pushed across to the right by Cederborg to centre-forward Jeppson who gave Chu Chee-Sing no chance with a rasping right from 10 yards range. The interval came with the Swedes two goals up.**The second half saw the Swedes dominating the play against an exhausted Hongkong defence. In the 7th minute, right wing Pettersson brought up the ball from the mid-line, pushed it to inside-right Andersson, who swerved to the right and banged in a cross grounder past Chu Chee-Sing's outstretched hands into the goal.**Four minutes later, centre-forward Jeppson converted a cross ground pass from Pettersson with a first-timer at point blank range.**Hongkong's only goal came at this stage, when a penalty for elbowing by centre-half Ivengren was converted by Chu Wing-Keung.**Jeppson brought the score to 5-1 soon after with a through run, following up with another goal in the 30th minute from a miskick by Nien.**A final goal by inside-left Cederborg from a backward ground pass by Jeppson in the closing minutes, ended the game with a 7-1 victory for the visitors.*

THE TEAMS

The teams were: Djurgardens: Kjel Cronqvist; Ingvar Pettersson, Arne Blomqvist; Berger, Stenman, Bernt Ivengren, S. Andersson; Hilmer Pettersson, Hans Andersson, Hans Jeppson, Nils Cederborg, Sig Nyström (Lennart Forsberg in second half).*Combined Chinese: Chu Chee-Sing; Ng Kel-chiong, S. S. Nien; Fung Kwan-sing (Foo Hee-wing in second half); Kwok Ying-kei; Tong Sheung, Ho Ying-fun (Ko Po-keung in second half), Lee Chung-fat, Tong Wong, Yue Cheuk-yan, Chu Wing-keung.**Colours: — Cpl Partridge (Army); Capt. Stubbs (Army), J. B. Goncalves (Recreio); Capt. Dudley (Army), Capt. Fitz-Gibbon (Army), G. Walker (Argonauts); Major Lambie (Army), P. Rull (Argonauts), Roza (Recreio), R. Collaco (Recreio), B. Xavier (Argonauts).**Reserves to attend: L. Sequira, A. M. Alves, J. A. Soares, C. A. Gutierrez (Recreio), J. Winter, Bullock (R.A.E.); QMS Webb, L/C Taylor (Army); M. Yusuf (Thunderbolts); Fraser (H.K.H.C.) G. J. Sequira (Argonauts), A. Poniah (University).**Umpires: G. T. Palmer and A. M. Silva.**Will all players bring two shirks (one white, one coloured). All those unable to play please inform Mr. P. F. Xavier (Tel: 20020) as early as possible.**All League hockey matches scheduled to take place on a later date.**The sudden reverse seemed to have knocked the wind out of the Jaguars and Tony Silva, coming in to bat in the final semester was over anxious to make good, and was called out for batting out of the box.**Gus Pereira fled out to short and while Chanda Peden, pinch-hitting for Dick Pereira, received a reprieve*

SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



Week-end Softball

Caroliners Topple The Jags
3-1 In The Feature Game
Of The Senior League
By 'GRANDSTAND'*South China topped the Jaguars 3-1 in yesterday's softball Senior League feature game, as the League leaders burst apart at the seams in the crucial sixth inning when an outbreak of errors plagued them, while St Joseph's smashed the Madcap bid with a 6-4 decision to retain a grip on the pennant scramble.**In the other major loop tussle, Oversons were subdued by the Americans in an overtime scuffle, the Yanks breaking up a 10-all deadlock in the eighth to emerge 12-10 victors.**In the Junior League, Delaware overwhelmed Griffins 9-3 in their return encounter while Rexes narrowly availed a loss by pulling the game out of the fire in the last chapter with a two run rally that ended 7-5 in their favour.**For a change the White Fangs played heads-up ball and almost turned the tables on the strong Canuckette outfit, but were turned back 4-2 as they failed to solve Alice Mar's deadly hurling which accounted for seven via the knockout route. Clovers suffered another setback when they were massacred by the free-hitting Squaws in a 20-7 score.*

SOUTH CHINA 3—JAGUARS 1

*One more South China hurler Wong Po-chiu mastered the sluggers with his tantalising offerings yielding only three safe hits to the opposition, two of which were bunched up in the second for the Jaguars lone two goals up.**As we surmised, Jaguar mastermind Franklin Barros started steady Jock Brown on the mound, but while Brown's pitching proved effective, the support in the infield was little short of ragged.**The opening frame passed by with no damage on either side, but the Jolting Jaguars tallied once in the next chapter when Tony Silva singled, pilfered second base, and rode home on Gabby Pereira's timely hit.**Not to be outdone, the Caroliners charged right back into the fray and taking advantage of two infield bubbles, evened the count as P. A. Lee crossed the platter standing up. The third inning passed scoreless and that seemed to set the pattern for the subsequent frames, neither side getting as far as third base until the bottom of the sixth inning.**Even as the string of goose eggs mounted on the score-board, fans were settling down to a tight game, waiting for that break which would decide the issue.**Your scribe seemed to have called the shot last week when it was pointed out that the first error in the crucial spot would be disastrous, and that happened in the sixth when Tony Silva ran back into deep centre and muffed a catch.**Gus Pereira at short stop bungled a grounder and two runners were on base. When K. F. Chan rolled to shortstop next, Pereira heaved it into the dirt and the tie-breaker crossed over. The epidemic appeared to be chronic as Pereira elected to run down a base-runner for the third out while Lee at third base scampered home for another tally.**The sudden reverse seemed to have knocked the wind out of the Jaguars and Tony Silva, coming in to bat in the final semester was over anxious to make good, and was called out for batting out of the box.**Gus Pereira fled out to short and while Chanda Peden, pinch-hitting for Dick Pereira, received a reprieve**Carroll, powerful in defence and superb in positioning, won 25-23, 21-13, 21-12.**Ehrlich holds the English title for the second time. He won it first in 1935. Between these table tennis triumphs Ehrlich, now 75 years old, was confined for two years in German concentration camps.**Ehrlich reached the final by defeating Rooboff of France by 14-21, 18-17, 9-7, 10-5. In the third and fourth games the referee imposed a rule, rare in championship play, that a game could last no longer than ten minutes.**Kennedy reached the final by defeating Aubrey Stinson, English internationalist.**Trudi Pritzl of Austria, a former world champion, took the Women's Singles Championship. It is the fifth year in succession that it has been won from England.**Mrs. Priscilla Jackson, Helen Kilian, Barbara, 21-18, 21-16,**Crookdale, the eager beaver, ran before the pitch and called out.**The ballgame was up to hurter Kelly Silva-Netto himself, but all he could produce was a weak roller to second to end it.**The Madcaps sported their brand new uniforms in blue and gold to match the honour of being the best dressed team on the local diamond.*

JUNIOR LEAGUE

*The junior league Falcons—St. Teresa's provided some excitement when the Terriers had the winning run on second base in the bottom of the seventh, but failed in their strategy when they tried for the safe hit instead of a sacrifice.**Charlie Ozorio made first with none away and stole second, but Gerry Noronha at bat lined out to first base. In a fit of desperation, Ozorio attempted to purloin third base and was nailed out by yards.**Roxa grounded out and the scuffle went into extra innings, which gave the Falcons a chance to pull through 4-3.**The Rexes, who are still undefeated, almost had their first setback yesterday when the Wildfires extended them for six full frames before faltering in the seventh when Rahka walked. Tippe got on first through an error both scoring when Karim bolted a hard grounder which was too hot to handle.*

LADIES' LEAGUE

*The White Fangs dished out a creditable display when they had the winning run on second base throughout the game, and it was a brilliant catch by Canuckette centre-fielder Rosina Wong which prevented a White Fang uprising.**In the 4-2 Maple Leaf victory, Mignon Yin contributed her share with a homer to score Cheung Sui-fong and Connie Lai ahead of her.**Clovers were no match for the heavy-hitting Squaws, who connected for a total of 17 hits, including homers by Joyce Guest and Celeste Gutierrez.**The only saving grace in the 20-7 slaughter was Theima-Coolho's two in three performance for the Clovers, one of which was a round-tripper.*

KCC Tennis

*Results of the Kowloon Cricket Club Sunday League tennis matches played at the Club yesterday were:**Purple Socks beat Green Socks by 5-4:**White (purple) beat Miss A. V. Coxal and Major Gabby 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; Mrs. M. Popoff 6-4, 6-2, 6-4; Leouzon beat Mrs. N. Van Noord and E. K. Abbas 6-2, 6-2, 6-2; Captain John 6-2, 6-2, 6-2; Lawes and R. E. Bell 1-2, 6-4, 6-4.**Black Socks beat White Socks by 5-4:**Miss M. McNeil and A. V. Coxal and Major Gabby 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; Mrs. M. Popoff 6-4, 6-2, 6-4; Leouzon beat Mrs. N. Van Noord and E. K. Abbas 6-2, 6-2, 6-2; Captain John 6-2, 6-2, 6-2; Lawes and R. E. Bell 1-2, 6-4, 6-4.**Black Socks beat Green Socks by 5-4:**Miss A. Birt and L. F. Stokes (black) lost to Miss N. Lambert and Major Gabby 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; Mrs. H. A. C. Hill and L. G. Cousins lost to Captain John and Lawes 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.**Black Socks beat Purple Socks by 5-4:**Miss H. A. C. Hill and L. G. Cousins lost to Captain John and Lawes 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.**Black Socks beat Purple Socks by 5-4:**Miss H. A. C. Hill and L. G. Cousins lost to Captain John and Lawes 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.**Black Socks beat Purple Socks by 5-4:**Miss H. A. C. Hill and L. G. Cousins lost to Captain John and Lawes 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.**Black Socks beat Purple Socks by 5-4:**Miss H. A. C. Hill and L. G. Cousins lost to Captain John and Lawes 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.*

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Are The Women
Worth It?

A man holding a hockey stick in his hand buttonholed this columnist at an advanced hour yesterday morning and bared all his teeth in a friendly smile. "Why?" he asked, holding on loosely and without menace to his stick. "Do you have to take so much interest in women's hockey?"

It was a critical moment. Our photographer, one of the better ones, had just demonstrated that in an emergency he could squeeze through a hole in the fence that had been left there for the Recreio club, and it was this columnist's job to live up to his reputation of making the best of an difficult a job.

Turning to this man with the most ingratiating smile we could possibly summon, this columnist explained carefully that the standard of men's hockey in this Colony had improved considerably since two years ago and that it was now quite definitely on a level with that of the best women's teams before the war.

The time had come, we assured him, to do the best we could by the women's game. Our friend pondered this for a moment and decided to call it a day as far as argument was concerned. About an hour later he was buying us a drink at a neighbourhood clubhouse and telling us about the problems of umpiring.

"It's a curious fact," he had to tell him, "that all these girls who play hockey are quite happy about the umpires. One of them told me just this morning that the venerable looking umpire who was officiating stopped the game at every whistle to explain carefully what misdemeanour had been committed."

"Which, of course, is an improvement on things as they have been in the first fortnight. In the first game of the season one of these personalities, a respectable person otherwise, kept sucking his whistle in lest 22 girls ranging in age from 10 to 21 wouldn't turn their attention off the ball and pick on him for the next bully."

We weren't telling the tallest story in the world either. Within the week one of these kids was telling us: "We might be little girls, but we committed quite a number of fouls. The umpire never even noticed. I was responsible for four myself!"

That's her version. The umpire's was: "They are all sweet-natured girls. There wouldn't have been a game if I kept blowing my whistle. When they settle down, we will blow our whistles more often and explain to them carefully what they are doing that they shouldn't be doing."

Now, who's talking whom for a ride?

Girls, be they big or little, are not only a problem for umpires. They are a problem also for columnists and photographers. Yesterday, we asked a team to settle down long enough to be photographed. After some argument, eight of them did.

"What about the other three?" we asked. "They are probably singing in the choir," came a quick reply. The other three members of the team were very much in the vicinity. Not one of them was singing, but they would not be photographed.

Why? Because they considered they were of a higher class than the Gremlin "B" players, and yet the Gremlin "B" team did just as well as did the Gremlin "A" players against the Recreio Ladies. Both teams went down by the identical score of 1-0.

It is true that the three Gremlins Seniors turned out for the Junior team, and did they make a mess of the works? We had quite some trouble explaining to the Recreio Ladies that it was just as well there were three Seniors in the side. If they had been left to the tender mercies of the Gremlin Juniors it may have been a different story.

Yet, after all this waste of a good Sunday morning in bed, there wasn't a girl about who would even crumple a crumpled up us. It was left to the surge of genuine hockey players coming back from the Interport trial on the Navy ground one level up within shooting range, to take the columnists aside over a glass of beer and tell them how much they appreciated our interest in hockey.

We got to recalling old times and remembering how in the old days there wasn't any Army XI and how the small units played in the League and always produced good teams. The Royal Engineers were top of the League within our memory in the age when R.E.V. Radio or R.E. Nomads were games to watch. There were quite a few of them, from quite a few teams, and there wasn't a single request of "Don't be unkind to us now, will you?"

Even after three others there wasn't anyone who brought up the subject of unkindness from work. There may have been someone in the company who had a grudge duty to someone later in the day, but they didn't raise a hue and cry over it.

It Was A Slow
Business.
All The Way
By "RECODER"

The Scorpions lost three points against Craigen-gower at Chater Road on Saturday in one of the surprise results of the season in the Senior Division of the Cricket League.

At the start of the season the Valley team looked one of the most promising on paper. They have yet to live up to expectations, but their show against the Scorpions was cheering enough. That despite the fact that their following had dropped to a season's low of three.

It was a good show but a very slow one. Divesha and Kermani put on 48 runs in 45 minutes for the first wicket. Then Koh and Rangi were sent in to liven up the situation and were both out at 6-45-1. Off the first ball of his 11th over, Alec Pearce hit him into Chater Road for a six. Bill didn't give away any more runs in that over and he followed it up with four maidens, ending up with an analysis of 15-4-51-2. His two victims were Len Stokes, caught at point by Harry Esmail, and Alec Pearce, stumped.

At the other end, Maurice Freeman started by dislodging Tony Weller's middle stump with the score at seven after Stokes had gone at six, and continued to an analysis of 6-2-8-1 at one stage, finishing up with 9-2-23-1.

Otto Kent and Alec Pearce put on 75 runs for the third wicket and the Scorpions had 83 runs for four on the board off a batsman's wicket in 75 minutes when the match ended.

It wasn't a bad show on Craigen-gower's part.

MORE SPORTING?

There is some criticism, even from the Craigen-gower side, that there could have been a "more sporting" declaration. The Scorpions were set a rate of 1.84 runs a minute for victory.

On the other hand, Craigen-gower could hardly declare at less than 140 runs against the Scorpions, the second century partnership of 105 runs for the fourth wicket, the second century partnership of the season, the other being that of Pat Dodge and Archie Zimmerman against the Scorpions at Chater Road when they put on 105 runs for the second wicket.

Recreio declared at 3.35 p.m. with 152 runs on the board for five wickets and could not register a win. University's improved batting, with all the five first-batsmen reaching comfortable double figures, replied with 101 for five wickets and then lost four more wickets for eight runs, the last wicket pair of Wagner and Elliott putting on no runs for the 10th wicket but, nevertheless, staying there.

One of the curiosities of the match was Billimoria's performance. He started poorly this season, continued in form with four wickets for 16 runs.

KAI TAK MATCH

Nod Arthy, the Optimist, most successful batsman last season, put up his most respectable score of the present one with an undefeated 58 against the RAF at Kai Tak.

Laurie Kilburn with 44 and Norman Oliver with 27 helped to victory by eight wickets after RAF had declared at 135 for nine wickets. K.C.A. Ball hit up 40 and E.C. Dunn carried his bat for 26.

HOW THEY STAND

| | P | W | D | L | Pts |
|-----------|---|-----|---|---|-----|
| Scorpions | 6 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 27 |
| Army | 8 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 20 |
| Optimists | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 18 |
| RAF | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 12 |
| Recreio | 7 | 2</ | | | |

JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

IN a hard-hitting speech at Wobstoke yesterday, Mrs Wretch made it clear that the granting of powers by the Government to unauthorised persons to enter private houses suspected of being used for the manufacture of plastic pumice stone does not mean that those powers will be used very much.

The same applies to dog kennels suspected of being used to store medicated chalk, flats which might harbour growers of salisyl, bungalows owned by potential makers of elastic waterproof scissors for cutting fish under water, and managers of public baths who might use the premises to make cardboard horses for dolls' houses.

Cattle-king Chadstone
MR CHADSTONE'S success in getting Government aid for Marine House led some of the less successful big hotels at Shingleham-on-Sea to offer him a job as an American tourist at times when the inspectors were likely to be prowling. Thus it came about that the people sitting quietly in the lounge of the Esplanade Palace were startled when a man with nothing of the librarian about him, and not recognisable as Mrs McGurgle's American, strode through the swing-doors, and greeted one and all with a cry of "Ride him, bucktooth!" The Manager explained to the inspector that this was a big ranch owner. "Yep," shouted Mr Chadstone. "And, oh my boy, is this dump kinda corny after Pavuckee, I will say it is. Say, way back home, I'm the darnest, shootingest, three-gun rustler 'twix Detroit and old Philadelphia. Heckon I could shoot ma way ouda this joint with a wodden-pistol. Yeah. Mr Manager, tell your tycons to slip me a minted jullet, or do I have to let Hell loose? Got

crackin', ole timer." The Manager smiled at the inspector, as though to say, "You know what these Americans are."

Fingers snapped at elephant

The arrival by air from Ceylon of an elephant with 22 toes (two more than is usual) raises the whole question. But so long as its big toes are painted, and peep horribly from its hefty sandals, I don't care a curse.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

If you are born today, you have a good business mind and considerable executive ability. You have self-confidence and the ability to reach the heights of your ambition. You like excitement and activity on one hand, but on the other, you enjoy being in the country close to nature. You are the type who can work at high speed to get a job finished, and then slow down to almost a stop. Since you enjoy travel, you will probably see much of the world during your lifetime.

However, you must avoid worrying too much, for half the time the things you waste energy on are the things that

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Haste can only make waste today. Take things slowly and easily to avoid serious errors.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Don't argue. Budget your expenses carefully to avoid extravagance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Shopping should be on your agenda for today. Only twenty more days until Christmas.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 21)—Time can work out a solution to some problem for you. Don't try to rush it today.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Emotions don't have a place in today's decisions. Be considerate in solving family problems.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Don't overdo the social today. Save some time for quiet relaxation. Read; listen to music.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Return some favour today. Be

friendly and co-operative with others and you will be rewarded.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Be diplomatic in developing social and business connections to aid you. Don't get into an argument.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—The domestic scene can be smoothed out if you take the family's feelings into consideration. Be patient.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Be decisive in your actions. Settle some business problem satisfactorily to aid your future plans.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Be confident of results. Self-assurance will win out today. Don't let a hot temper defeat you!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Be diligent in doing some humdrum job and you will find the rewards are gratifying. Success is ahead.

WEST (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—

The bidding is worth studying though I don't recommend that anyone follow it. The opening bid of one spade is certainly normal. As for North's double, we refuse to comment. East's redouble is also correct, and there can be no objection to Mr Crawford's bid of two diamonds. Since each side had a partial score, he saw no point in hurrying.

Strangely enough, while the play of the cards is exceptional, the players spend so much time fooling one another, that bidding mistakes are frequent. In today's hand, John Crawford of Philadelphia gave East and West the full treatment.

When he glanced at the side

table near his desk he sees a photostat copy of "Instructions for the Council of Trade," which was instituted by Charles II 200 years ago.

Although there are no re-

ferences to the dollar problem

which had not arisen in 1660,

article 10 of this quaint docu-

ment reads: "You are thorough-

ly to consider and en-

quire whether the importation

of foreign commodities doe-

not overbalance yo exports

of such as are native,

and how it may be so ordered,

remade and proportioned

that we may have more sellers

than buyers in every part

abroad, and that the coyness

of these our king-some may be preserved and in-

creased..."

The Council of Trade was

instituted by Charles II on the

advice of Lord Clarendon in

November 1660. Its mem-

bership of 62 included privy coun-

cillors, merchants, sea captains

and planters.

The original manuscript of

the instructions, in which Mr

Wilson takes a keen delight, is

in the British Museum.

Mr Crawford's bid of six dia-

monds was in the nature of a

double cross. Of course he ex-

pected to make it and normally

would have bid slowly in order

to coax a double. In this case

he decided the jump would

produce the double anyway. As

for his redouble, he knew that

his opponents would have so

many high cards that they

would not become scared and

run out.

North's four-diamond bid was

normal enough. Even North had

to do something ordinary once,

and East simply passed to wait

further developments. Since he

had redoubled one spade to start

with, he knew that his partner

would not pass four diamonds.

Now West decided to save a

little time and went directly to

three spades. He wanted to

show that he had a good five

card trump suit and that he

was not interested in doubling

his opponents at a low level in

himself.

West might have bid two

spades, but he chose to pass and await developments. He also

saw no hurry. I don't quite un-

derstand North's bid of two

spades, but he must have had

some reason. East's double of

two spades was sound. Mr

Crawford passed since he knew

that his partner would rescue

himself.

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fooling one another, that bidding

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the full treatment.

There are 44 Brightons

in the United States, eight of

them in New York State alone.

Canada has six, Australia two,

and the others are in New Zealand,

Tasmania, Trinidad, Jamaica,

and the Orange River Colony.

It is believed that all these

places which range in size from

towns to small settlements, took

their name from the famous

British resort.

Brighton is one of the 23

selected provincial towns at

which Festivals of the Arts will

be staged, and the main event

will be a Regency Exhibition in

the Royal Pavilion.

Their Majesties the King and Queen have generously consented to lend

works of art from Buckingham

Palace, and important furniture

of the period from other col-

lections, including the famous

Dolphin furniture commemo-

rating Nelson's victories, will

also be on view.

Other events will include a

Grand Pageant—a cavalcade of

Brighton through the ages—a

series of special concerts by the

Southern Philharmonic Orches-

tra with leading guest concur-

ders, military display, illumina-

tions, book exhibitions, and

a Festival of Rottingdean

when parts of Rudyard

Kipling's home will be open to

the public.

It is also intended to hold a

Regency cricket match in the

dress of the period in mid-

August.

A PORTRAIT OF PRINCESS MARGARET



Painting the portrait of Princess Margaret is Henry M. Carr, seen here at work in his Chelsea studio. The Princess wears her uniform as Commandant-in-Chief of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Cadets.

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Formosa, 3 p.m.
Philippines, 5 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea
Malaya, 2 p.m.
D.J.C. Greek Australia & New
Zealand, 2 p.m.
Indonesia, 2 p.m.

SAVING FOR
RAINY DAY

Sixty-year-old Kong Yuen was arrested for begging in Salisbury Road last Saturday, and found to have \$13.20 in his possession.

Before Mr D'Almada at Kowloon this morning, he was charged with mendicancy. Asked why he was begging when he had some money on him, Kong replied: "I am saving the money for rainy days."

Kong Yuen, a Hongkong-born man, had two previous convictions of a similar nature. However, he was cautioned and bound over in the sum of \$5 for 12 months.

Advised Mr D'Almada: "You must not beg again." Replied the defendant: "I will starve if I stop."

The police said Kong had no relatives in the Colony.

ALLEGED
ABDUCTIONStole Shoes
From Shop

Pleading guilty to a charge of larceny, Wong Chuen, 23, unemployed, Ling Tak-ling, alias Diana Ling, aged 14, to be taken out of the possession and against the will of Ling Wal-jam, her father, the person having lawful custody and care of the girl.

It was alleged that on November 23, the defendant caused Ling Tak-ling, alias Diana Ling, aged 14, to be taken out of the possession and against the will of Ling Wal-jam, her father, the person having lawful custody and care of the girl.

In Inspector J. Hill stated that the SCA would prosecute. He applied for a week's remand which was granted.

Dai was allowed in \$1,000.

His accomplice, Yiu Ki, 27, unemployed, charged with aiding and abetting in the commission of the same offence was sentenced to four months.

According to the prosecution, at about 1.45 p.m. on Saturday, DPC 1553 who was on duty at Des Voeux Road Central saw the two defendants acting outside "Crane" shoe shop at 163 Des Voeux Road Central in a suspicious manner. The two men were stopped outside the shop when they came out with a box containing a pair of new shoes. As they failed to produce a receipt, both defendants were taken back to the shop where the shoes valued at \$37.50, were identified as being stolen.

First defendant had one previous conviction.

127 HAWKERS IN
COURT

A hundred and twenty-seven hawkers were brought before Mr D'Almada at Kowloon this morning for hawking without licences. Each was fined \$8. The goods seized were ordered to be confiscated.

The minutes of the 8th Ordinary General Meeting read by the Secretary, Mr G. R. Huber, were approved. Mr A. W. de Broekert proposed the motion and Mr A. L. Veilla seconded it.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:

The Director's report and audited statement of accounts for the year ending April 30, 1950 has been in your hands for the required length of time. Due to a regrettable misunderstanding it was not mentioned in the printed report that Mr B. W. Mason, being eligible, offers himself for re-election. He does offer himself for re-election and his name will be presented at the proper time.

Since the printing of the Report Mr N. D. Tatars has tendered his resignation to the Board effective November 30, 1950 due to the necessity for his immediate return to the United States on business and it is not his intention to return to the Orient.

The holder of the "A" shares in your Company, under the authority delegated in paragraph 3 of the Articles of Association, have named Mr A. L. Veilla to this vacancy.

It has been the custom of this Company in the past to submit the annual accounts to Shareholders in £-Sterling. Your Directors considered that since the Company's activities are actually carried on in local currency and since but a small percentage of shares are held in the U.K. it would be more convenient to the majority if the accounts be submitted in Hong Kong dollars in future. As a result you have found this change now put into effect. The conversion from £-Sterling to Hong Kong dollars is at the rate of 2.1, equal to HK\$10.

YEAR'S PROFIT

You will have noted that the year's working shows a net profit of HK\$47,595.07. Actually the gross profit was in excess of the gross for the previous year but it was found necessary to write off a very material sum on account of depreciation in shares of subsidiary companies.

Actually the companies were holding their own at the end of our fiscal year but your Directors deemed it advisable to write them down due to the political situation which did not look too promising at the time.

Your construction department continued to be the principal source of revenue. During the year under review the No 4 Wharf was completed for the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. and also the construction and repair work at Tukoo Dockyard and Engineering Corp. Both of these were major operations and were completed to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. This department showed a profit on the year's activities of HK\$184,617.18 or 35% in excess of the previous year's working. I may say that prospects are quite good for a continuance of this satisfactory state of our construction activities as there are a number of medium sized projects and one or two major projects for which we anticipate being able to tender successfully as we now have considerable machinery and equipment in our possession which will greatly enhance our prospects.

CHANGED STATUS

The status of our Morrison Hill Quarry has changed somewhat. I mentioned a year ago that we were in negotiation with the PWD for a new contract. Our old contract was extended and we have made alterations in our labour programme and our equipment which has resulted in our being able to reduce the cost of production somewhat, increase the output and thereby enable us to maintain a surplus to sell in the open market. As a result the quarry has been operating at a small profit with consequent reduction in the previous deficit.

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Defendant pleaded that the lights were blown off during the night while the crew members were asleep.

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guilty, the defendant claimed he was once a hawker in Canton, and had come here three days ago. He said he was willing to go back

to Canton.

He was remanded for trial.

Mr Wilson then proposed that

Mr B. W. Mason retired and offered himself for re-election.

Mr Mason was re-elected as Director on the proposal of the Chairman seconded by Mr de Broekert.

Mr Wilson was also re-elected

Director on the proposal of Mr E. R. Hill seconded by Mr Veilla.

Messrs Lowe-Bingham and Matthews were re-elected

auditors at a fee to be fixed by the Directors on the proposal of Mr Hill seconded by Mr Huber.

The following were present at the meeting: Mr T. B. Wilson (Chairman), Mr E. R. Hill (Director), Mr A. L. Veilla (Director), Mr G. R. Huber (Secretary), Miss C. L. Veilla (representative of the Morrison Hill Quarry), and Mr A. W. de

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